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VIGOROUS CRITICISM BY UNOFFICIALS OF BUDGET PROPOSALS

SERVICES SALARY CUTS MAY NOT BE "TEMPORARY"

SUGGESTIONS FOR ROAD PROGRAMME OUTLINED BY MR. BRAGA

CAREFUL ANALYSIS OF WATER RATE FIGURES PROVIDED BY MR. M. K. LO

ALL SET FOR NORTH PARLEYS

M. KUWASHIMA VISITS NANKING

CHANG CHUN-KAWAGOE PARLEYS OPENING SHORTLY

(From A Special Correspondent)

Canton, To-day. Mr. Kuwashima, the Director of the East Asia Bureau of the Japanese Foreign Office, went to Nanking, the Chinese capital, by air from Shanghai early yesterday morning after holding an important conference with the Japanese Consul-General at Shanghai, the Japanese Military and Naval Attaches, and high officials of the Japanese Embassy on Monday night. He arrived at Nanking at 8 a.m. and went to the Japanese Embassy at 10 a.m. to see Mr. S. Kawagoe, the Japanese Ambassador to China, to convey to the latter the new proposals for the coming Sino-Japanese relations. It is reported that Mr. Kuwashima will not stay long in the Chinese capital and will not meet the high Chinese officials himself.

It is stated in Chinese circles that Mr. Kawagoe will pay a visit to the Generalissimo at the Central Military Academy this afternoon, and the Chang Chun-Kawagoe negotiations will be resumed before the Double Tenth. The Generalissimo has directed Mr. Chang Chun to deal with the outstanding Sino-Japanese problems in a friendly manner, but to reject any Japanese proposals that may violate the Chinese national rights and sovereignty.

Dr. Chou Lou resumed his office as the Chancellor of the National Sun Yat-sen University yesterday. It is learned that the Generalissimo has requested Dr. Chou to go to Nanking to have a personal interview with him.

MISS JEAN BATTEN REACHES IRAQ SAFELY

Baghdad, To-day.—Miss Jean Batten, the New Zealand aviatrix engaged on a flight from England to New Zealand, arrived yesterday at the Iraq Petroleum Co.'s pumping station midway between Baghdad and Damascus. —Reuter's Bulletin Service.

HUGE FIRE IN ICHANG

British Bluejackets Help To Fight The Flames

GHASTLY HOLOCAUST PREVENTED

Ichang, To-day.

Bluejackets of H.M.S. Gamet played a heroic part in a fire which devastated a large part of this city yesterday. Hundreds of buildings were razed over an area of more than a square mile. Thousands have been rendered homeless and the death-roll is not known, but is believed to have been heavy. Many people were injured.

The bluejackets rushed through flaming streets carrying women and children to safety. Several hundred children trapped in a school compound were rescued by the British sailors, who demolished a high wall of the compound, allowing the children access to the street. After that the British sailors, together with Chinese soldiers, fought the conflagration shoulder to shoulder throughout the day. The flames lasted well into the night, and the whole area is now a mass of smoking ruins. The sailors' action is highly praised by Chinese and foreigners alike, and there is no doubt that their strenuous efforts saved what might otherwise have incurred a ghastly loss of life. —Reuter.

FORTHCOMING WEDDING

The forthcoming wedding is announced between Charles William Stewart Hartley, Agricultural Officer, of the Malayan Agricultural Service, and Miss Marie Lenagan, of No. 21, Keat Street, Port of Spain, Trinidad.

GEN. CHIANG'S BIRTHDAY

Personal Presents Will Not Be Accepted.

EXCEPTION MADE IN FAVOUR OF AEROPLANES

(From A Special Correspondent)

Canton, To-day. The Secretary-General of the Central Executive Committee has been instructed to announce that owing to the difficult situation in China, the Generalissimo will not accept any present for his 50th birthday, which will take place on the 29th instant (the 15th day of the Chinese ninth moon) except cables and letters of congratulation.

At present Government servants, schools and the different public bodies throughout the country are subscribing money to buy bombers as birthday presents for the Generalissimo, who will turn them over to the Government. As this is simply a matter of increasing the weapons of the country aeroplanes are the only presents that the Generalissimo will accept, as an exception to his ruling on the matter.

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Lt. Col. Heli Telia (right), commander of the insurgent column which captured Merida from the Spanish Government defenders last month, is shown resting with his troops before advancing to the front.

DESPERATE BATTLE AT OVIEDO DEVELOPS

CLAIMS OF SUCCESSES VOICED BY BOTH SIDES

London, To-day.

A desperate battle has developed in the vicinity of Oviedo, where the Government forces, including a large number of Asturias miners, have redoubled their efforts to capture the city. According to a message from Hendaye, the Government claims to have entered the outskirts of the city at three points.

On the contrary, it is reported that the besieged garrison made a sortie, defeating the Government troops infesting the city, while an insurgent relief column composed of Moors and Foreign Legion troops has arrived outside the city after defeating the Government forces in several encounters en route. —Reuter.

Rabat: Thirty insurgent planes bombed Madrid on Monday, according to an insurgent broadcast.

A Madrid message states that the insurgents delivered a second attack near Naval Peral, but had to retire after suffering heavy losses, according to a War Ministry communique. Some of the best Government troops have been sent from Madrid to check the insurgents' advance.

Barcelona: "We are prepared to fight to the end and to conquer or die," declared President Companys, on the occasion of the second anniversary of the Catalan revolution yesterday. They were not only fighting Fascism but also the old military bureaucracy, which they would drive back by a steady, heroic, offensive. —Reuter's Bulletin Service.

CONTRIBUTION TO PEACE

World Agreement On Trade

DRAFT RESOLUTION PREPARED IN GENEVA

Geneva, To-day.

A world agreement on international trade and communications as a contribution to the consolidation of peace is contained in a draft resolution to be presented to the Second Economic Committee of the League by the French and United Kingdom delegates.

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PROSPECTS FOR BRITAIN

Mr. N. Chamberlain's Speech

NO ONE WANTS TO BREAK THE PEACE

London, To-day.

Speaking at the annual Bankers' Dinner yesterday, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Chancellor of the Exchequer, said that Britain's expenditure on this year's defence programme was rising so rapidly as to outweigh any reasonable probability of its being counter-balanced by a corresponding expansion of revenue.

"There are still pictures of the situation causing us anxiety," he said. "Although nobody can confidently say that the prospects portend a time of settled peace, on the other hand there is no nation that wants to break the peace, for none can confidently believe that even victory will not bring more loss and suffering in its train."

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Hon. Mr. Paterson's Speech

VAGARIES OF EXCHANGE

In his speech the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson said:—

"Sir, — Since Sir Henry Pollock made his budget speech last year Your Excellency has arrived in this Colony and the Unofficial Members wish that your advent could have coincided with a greater measure of prosperity in the Colony you have to govern, a wish Your Excellency probably shares!

"It remains for the Unofficial Members to assure you of their understanding of the difficulties all those who may be charged with the administration of this Colony must be faced with to-day, and to wish Your Excellency and Lady Caldecott a very hearty welcome.

"We join with the Colonial Secretary in expressing our gratitude to Messrs. Trautman and Breen for all they have done for Hong Kong and with him we wish them every happiness in the future. We congratulate Mr. N. L. Smith and ourselves on his promotion and reappointment to this Colony.

"In the absence of Sir Henry Pollock I have been asked by my colleagues to make some general observations on the budget for 1937 and on events leading up to it.

"It is usual to congratulate the Colonial Secretary on the excellent manner in which he has presented his budget; on this occasion we can do so with more fervour than usual. The memorandum he has had prepared, together with those of the Colonial Treasurer and Public Works Department, is admirable. We wonder though whether the formula adopted for the Public Works Department where items of expenditure are discussed across the table could not be extended to other spending departments.

"Perhaps I may be forgiven if at the outset I refer to exchange. Since Sir Henry Pollock spoke last year we have seen the rate slide steadily to its present level, one at which we are very closely allied to the Standard Dollar and which most of us consider the proper thing to be.

"But because of this descent the Government's immediate finances have suffered. "Perhaps I am being blatantly hindsight when I say that to some extent this loss might have been avoided. Government was in an invidious position; it must have known to about what level the Hong Kong dollar was headed. The Unofficials knew nothing; they did, however, ask that so far as was possible sterling commitments (salaries excepted) be covered, and they remark rather sadly now that it was unofficial money — or at least it originally was the property of the taxpayers of Hong Kong. "But I believe the fault to be deeper than in these recent years. Government has always argued that its policy was never to fix that whether one settled or did not settle, the years would strike a balance.

"And so they would if nobody had fixed the dollar. But had the dollar been adopted, always to settle, Government could in the past have known exactly at any given time what its commitments were.

WEATHER REPORT

A weak anti-cyclone covers North China, and pressure is relatively low in a trough extending from the China Sea across the Philippines to the Western Carolines. The forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning, was: North-east winds, fresh; cloudy, probably some rain.

PALESTINE COMMISSION HOLDS FIRST MEETING

London, To-day.

The Palestine Royal Commission held its first meeting at the Colonial Office yesterday. The meeting, which was private, was devoted to discussion of questions of procedure and other preliminary matters. — British Wireless Service.

REARMAMENT IN BRITAIN

Dr. Hugh Dalton In Favour

"TIME HAS PASSED FOR VAGUE, HUMBUGGING PHRASES"

Edinburgh, To-day.

Speaking at the Labour Party Conference in support of the rearmament resolution Dr. Hugh Dalton, the former Labour Minister, said that the central brute fact in Europe was German armaments. If a Labour Government came to power to-morrow such a Government would be compelled to provide increased British armaments. The time had passed for vague, humbugging phrases. "We must say to the Fascist States: 'There is a limit; so far and no further,'" he said.

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STOP PRESS

Nanking: Although it was reported yesterday afternoon that an interview between Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and Mr. S. Kawagoe would take place to-day, official circles now declare that a meeting between them so soon is exceedingly unlikely, as no arrangements have yet been made. —Reuter.

INTERPORT CRICKET

Shanghai, to-day — Lunch scores: Shanghai 475 for 9 (Parker 93 not out, Meston 18 not out). —Reuter.

Later: P. Madar b Minu 53, J. B. H. Leckie b Lee 84, Bridge lb.w. b Minu 46.

Fall of wickets 7 for 289; 8 for 311; 9 for 401. —Reuter.

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were, and expressed them in the coin of the Colony. More recently the taxpayer would have been saved a lot — perhaps more correctly in the light of the present budget the motorist and the Civil Servant.

The Retrenchment Commission dealt with the settling of exchange in paragraph 5 of its Report on the Treasury. Government cannot say it was not told!

Salary Cut
Which brings me to the salary cut. While I remark rather sadly that such blisters are no new things among the unofficial community, this in no way dampens the enthusiasm with which the ninety and nine welcome the sinner into the fold, especially as those of the mercantile community who can look to benefit from Provident Fund or similar scheme appreciate that if the details given recently in a local paper of the "Widows and Orphans" be true, or anywhere near true, then, and not forgetting pensions, widows, and orphans are in possession of a very bad bargain, one that would make an insurance man shudder.

As the cat is now out of the bag, may we ask Government to issue a statement showing how this fund has operated in the past and how it is proposed to carry it on in the future, for I can assure you, Sir, that if in the sober world of business, so far removed from High Olympus, any employer of a large staff, tried to drive so hard a bargain he could never hope to keep his people contented.

As an illustration I think I am correct in saying that a bachelor, though he may have subscribed to the Pool all his life, yet only gets back half his subscription on retirement or his estate that half on death.

I do not see why Benedicks should be penalised. Perhaps the answer is this, that this fund was started by private enterprise when such things were by no means common and when modern and more or less established procedure had not been laid down. Had management of the monies been left to the beneficiaries no doubt

the rules would have been brought up to date, but Government sequestered the proceeds, despite unofficial protest, and rude people say used them to build the Kowloon-Canton Railway.

Correction of An Abuse

The Unofficial Members fully realise that in starting this hare they may well be adding to the expenses of this Colony if that portion of the balances required cannot be earmarked to this end, but in common fairness they feel they must emphasise and ask for the correction of an abuse. That this may not be easy we admit, but at least the beneficiaries of a subscriber from now on should in every case get out the money put in, with reasonable interest.

Liability for this fund is not shown in the Colony's accounts, though the directors of public and private companies are forced very properly to declare the "true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs," including contingent liabilities, and Government might well remember the parable of the mote and the beam.

It may be remembered, however, that a great number in this community have no pensions and no Provident Fund. Any provision they can make must be by their own efforts, not easy in these days.

Gratitude Expressed

Letters have appeared in the Press which seem to suggest that Hong Kong is in process of cutting European Staff to below those levels usual in other Crown Colonies. I think I am correct in saying that so far from this being the case Government merely is in process of coming on to parity with them, and has quite a long way to go yet.

There is little to say about the general budget, a very good one under the circumstances. We think, though, that some of the Officials may not see eye to eye with us. Motorists have, to face increased taxation but they have been and are being given greater facilities. Nothing in what has already been said must be construed as detracting from our gratitude for Civil Service sacrifices.

Hon. Mr. Braga's Speech

ROAD DEVELOPMENT IN KOWLOON

In his speech the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga said:—

"Your Excellency—I propose to direct my remarks on a few subjects more as a matter of policy than in criticism of the Budget proposals. We are passing through admittedly depressed times calling for sympathy and co-operative efforts in an earnest endeavour to provide a solution to real difficulties.

I cannot recall past programmes of Public Works Extraordinary of major importance appearing without a single item, as is the case for 1937. The only item of consequence is scheduled under "Loan Works" for the commencement of a new Central Market. This being the case, attention is necessarily drawn to the question of the general staff of the Public Works Department. It may appear anomalous, however, that, without any large-scale public works, the Budget should be burdened with architects' salaries alone amounting to \$157,209 in 1937.

While inviting Your Excellency's attention to what strikes me as more or less an unsatisfactory position, I would like to offer a suggestion. The eleven architects are technical officers who are not easily replaceable, and, for that reason full advantage should be taken of their available professional services at the present time in making preparations and plans for the future construction of major public works when funds eventually become available, such as the Post Office and Government offices in Kowloon. Both these are referred to in the report of the Director of Public Works for 1935. An important extension of the Kowloon Hospital, viz., the maternity wards for Chinese patients, should not be further delayed.

Inspector Of Furniture
I am making no reflection on the holder of the office designated as Park and Chatham Road.

Inspector of Furniture on p. 97 of the draft Estimates; but it seems open to question as to whether it is really necessary that an officer such as described should be paid a sterling salary equivalent to \$3,560 next year. If in the discharge of his duties no special technical qualifications are called for, then in the interest of economy the present post is one that should be transferred to the dollar grade as soon as possible.

I still regard the Roads Maintenance Vote as wholly insufficient. To neglect roads so that they fall into a state of such serious disrepair as can be pointed out in Kowloon and the New Territories during the current year, is a policy that works out much more expensively in the long run. On this subject I would like to state that the Kowloon Residents' Association has requested me publicly to bring this question to the notice of Your Excellency and this Council.

I would like to go even further and state that the Government should immediately take in hand what I might describe as essential road works.

Kowloon Hospital Approach

In this connection, I would urge the completion of the road from Argyle Street to Tam Kung Road. It only requires the widening and surfacing of the path from the approach road to the new Central British School to the Riding School—a length of about 300 or 400 yards—to provide the logical connection by road between Kowloon Tong, Mongkok, Kowloon Hospital, etc., on the one hand, and Hung Hom and Tokawan on the other. Does it not appear strange that the Kowloon Hospital cannot be reached from anywhere at Tokawan by car without having to travel the circuitous road round to Kowloon City?

Another path which should be similarly treated is the one running parallel with the railway between Waterloo Road and King's Park, thereby providing a through motor road from Waterloo Road to Gascoigne Road, and considerably shortening the distance from Kowloon Tong and Homantin to King's Park and Chatham Road.

I submit that the cost of these two very necessary improvements would be inconsiderable and would be fully justified. The saving of time which would be effected to and from the Star Ferry wharf would be of great benefit.

Danger Spot Removed

The Government is to be commended for having widened the junction of Waterloo Road and Argyle Street. This used to be a danger spot for traffic, but where Waterloo Road should be at its widest (viz., at its junction with Nathan Road) it is actually at its narrowest. The dangerous bend at this point should be eliminated and thus make more room for the daily growing traffic flowing into Nathan Road.

These are outstanding road works not involving a great deal of money calling for immediate attention in Kowloon. I shall now deal with road requirements in the New Territories.

Thanks, I feel, are due for the construction of a new motor road through splendidly wooded country full of wild bird life from upper Shatin Road leading to the 'Shing Mun Valley.

With the completion of Tsun Wan Market, this district is gradually assuming the air of a growing township. The motor highway in the vicinity of the village is now much too narrow for the daily increasing traffic, and when it is remembered that the open ground by the roadside is utilised by the enterprising owners of the pineapple plantations as an open market for retailing the luscious fruit with the harvesting of the midsummer crop, the roads of the P.W.D. might usefully consider the provision of a very necessary road improvement in this district. In particular, I trust the Government will immediately widen the dangerous bend in the road just before Tsun Wan is reached.

Hairpin Bends

Again, there are still several sharp hairpin bends near the Kowloon Reservoir which are a positive danger to traffic. The Roads Engineer probably finds his limitations in the indispensable provision of funds. The restriction

need not be carried to the point of continuing a condition that is considered unsafe for speedy wheeled traffic. The bridge at the Reservoir and another in Shatin Valley at Tai Wa village just before reaching the railroad tracks, both require to be replaced. They are too narrow for two cars to pass abreast and, furthermore, were not designed, I am sure, to take the heavy loads now carried over them daily. Shatin village road is also capable of widening. The motorist, especially in view of the higher taxation on petrol and motor-car licences, has a right to expect that these matters should receive prompt attention.

Without great expense also certain parts of the Castle Peak and Tai Po Roads could be widened to give more room for pedestrians and people carrying bulky loads where they might be clear of motor traffic. Trees at present along the road need not be removed, but could mark the boundary for motor traffic, and behind the trees an extra stretch could be added to the road for use by pedestrians only.

In speaking of trees, I feel that attention need only be drawn for the Botanical and Forestry Department to see that those uprooted by the recent typhoon on the roads in the New Territories as well as in Kowloon will soon be replaced.

Castle Peak Water Supply

Some information might be usefully given on the question of the water supply to the Castle Peak district. Beyond the bare official statement that a small supply scheme was investigated in the Colony last year, some indication of the intention of the Government regarding the prosecution of this scheme should be forthcoming.

For the benefit of many residents in various parts of the Peninsula I should like to urge, for the serious consideration of the Medical and Sanitary Departments, that market gardens situated in the immediate vicinity of residential places, should be completely done away with. Complaints are constantly made that the gardeners are in the habit of freely using nightsoil as a fertiliser, and no number of warnings deter them from carrying on the nuisance, which is a serious menace to public health.

Much can be said regarding the unsatisfactory condition of the Homantin Cemetery. It is a seriously-debatable question whether the shutting down of this cemetery for more burials and its transfer out of a central residential area has not now become imperative! At any rate, the matter is one that should be looked into by the President of the Urban Council.

The health of the community should also be catered to by allocating more open spaces and playgrounds, especially in congested areas. This is notoriously lacking in the Homantin district. Children in this locality can be seen in large numbers daily making use of the public roadways for games.

Bathing Beaches

AMPLE PUBLIC PROVISION SHOULD BE MADE

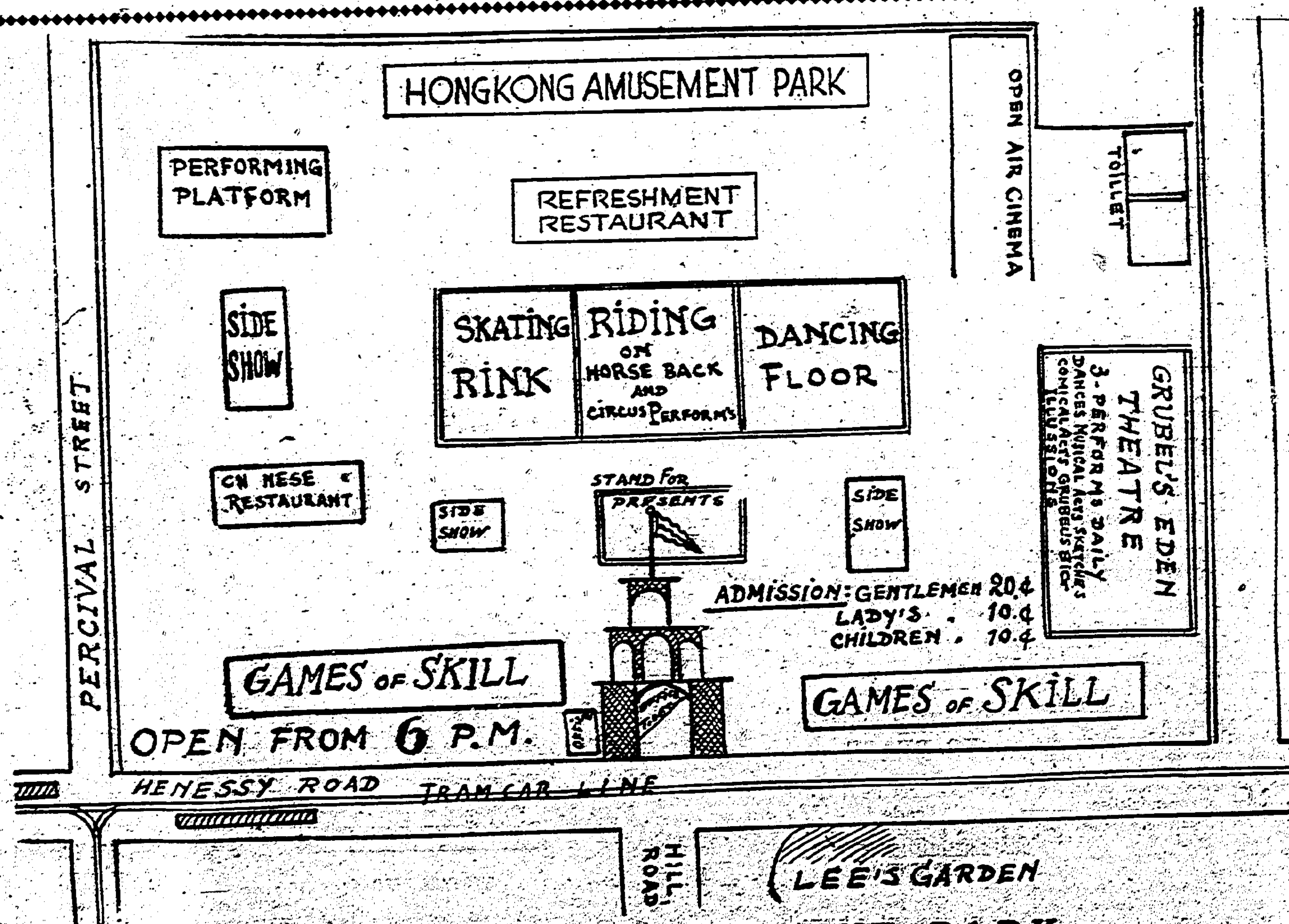
It has been truthfully said that we have the sea on almost every side of us and yet the majority of the citizens of this Colony are denied the amenities of its bathing beaches. It is the duty of the Government to make ample provision at least for the better health of its people, and a special point should be made to provide more public bathing beaches, especially on the Peninsula, with proper facilities for dressing, which should be made easily accessible to the residents of the Colony next summer. The majority class of the well-to-do can afford their well-appointed glorified pavilions and shacks. What about the majority of the middle class who are as little provided with an abundance of money and as badly off for a lot of time after office hours to indulge in this most popular form of healthful and beneficial recreation? The Government may take a timely hint in earmarking definite large beach areas in Hebe Haven with the completion of the Customs

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GRAND OPENING

October 10th

At 6 p.m.



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Attractions: Fire High Diver, Motorcycle Jump, Open-air Cinema, Skating Rink, Dancing Floor, Riding on Horse-back, On the Platform, Chinese Acrobatic Dances, etc. Side Shows, Small Zoo.

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Pass Road extension. A repetition of the reserves in Repulse Bay and Sheko must be avoided at all costs.

Broadcasting

"Speaking as a member of the Broadcasting Committee, I am aware of the big improvement that is about to take place when the new short-wave transmitter is installed, and the great benefit to shipping on the high seas and its publicity value to Hong Kong. It has long been felt that the Chinese licencees do not receive the maximum service from the Broadcasting Studio, through no fault of the latter. There is this to be said both for the Committee of the Studio and for the Government, that the apparent neglect of the Chinese may not be put down to discriminatory influences. In reality it is the mechanical deficiency that has to be made good. This deficiency, again, cannot be justly attributed to the technical staff. Physical needs have to be provided—in the first place by enlarging the accommodation, which is far too limited for the increasing demands on the technical side on the Studio equipment; and, in the second place, by a more powerful transmitter than Z.E.R., which is admittedly weak, provides at the moment.

"I believe very strong arguments can be advanced for equipping the Studio with both increased accommodation and a more powerful apparatus. Figures have, I understand, been prepared that justify the expense that will have to be incurred in order to make better provision to cater for Chinese licence-holders, who can easily be increased, so it is estimated, by more than double the present number. If this estimate, which is calculated to be rather on the conservative than on the liberal side, is realised, the extra cost for the provision of the necessary equipment and its fitting up would be reimbursed in a few years' time, and the running expenses would easily be met out of the larger revenue derived from an increased number of licencees. The capital expenditure may, in the end, prove to be quite a remunerative investment.

Farming Interests

"Agriculture and the farming interests in the New Territories have not merited so much as passing notice from the Government spokesman. I had wished that a small ray of hope might have been shed as to the possibilities of the co-operative scheme on which the Government obtained the expert report from Mr. A. Strickland.

"As in the past, small Chinese private enterprise has been left unaided. To mention the difficulties Chinese of small means have to encounter, I wish to relate the experiences of two Chinese poultry farmers in Kowloon City. Both started their businesses in a very humble way as permittees of small areas of Crown land. These men commenced business with a few chickens, and the flock of white leghorns increased until one of them could boast of over 800 birds. The typhoon of August 17 practically wiped out the stock in the case of the smaller of the two farms, and did considerable damage to the other. These are, I submit, typical instances where the co-operative scheme like that designed by Mr. Strickland could be made to benefit the farmers in Kowloon and the New Territories.

"I take this opportunity of reiterating that, to my mind, the industrial and agricultural value of the New Territories to the Colony cannot be over-estimated. This, I fear, has been too long overlooked. The time has come when every means should be devised to make the Colony as self-sufficient as possible in the matter of its own food supplies. I believe it cannot be too strongly urged that Mr. Strickland's report be carefully examined and that definite steps be taken to exploit the agricultural resources of the New Territories.

Urban Area Taxes

"During the past year the market-villages of Tai Po and Yuen Long in the New Territories were delimited as urban areas. Residents of these districts are called upon to pay increased taxes accordingly. I know it for a fact that a sporting institution in one of these urban districts, whose membership is composed entirely of Chinese, has applied to a private firm for the use of their level open ground for the purposes of recreation and sport. The firm in port trade in Hong Kong is in-

creasing, which is no doubt due to a certain extent, to our industrial concerns. Agricultural products can scarcely be produced in sufficient quantities to cover our own consumption, much less export. But there is a splendid opportunity for establishing manufacturing and industrial concerns and I hope the Government will do their best to give encouragement wherever possible to such enterprises.

"The trade of Hong Kong is essentially connected with China and particularly with Canton. A cordial relationship and co-operation are most essential and beneficial to the people of both places. Perhaps to some minds the point is hackneyed, but, for my part, I do not think it can be stressed too much or too often. Accordingly it was with great pleasure that I heard of Your Excellency's friendly visit to Canton. I am sure that it helped greatly in cementing the cordial relationship between our cities, and on behalf of the Chinese community in this Colony I wish to express our deep appreciation and gratification.

Dr. S. W. T'so's Speech

ECONOMICALLY SOUND BUDGET

In this speech the Hon. Dr. S. W. T'so said:—

"Your Excellency:—As Senior Chinese Member of the Council, I desire on behalf of myself and my Chinese colleagues to voice our general agreement with the views expressed by the Honourable the Senior Unofficial Member of Council in his speech on the Budget. I wish also to congratulate the Honourable the Acting Colonial Secretary for the lucid manner in which he presented his first Budget. His memorandum on the estimates for 1937 and the memorandum prepared by the Colonial Treasurer and the Director of Public Works giving references to the increases and reductions in the estimates for 1937 are much appreciated. That the Budget for 1937 would show a large deficit was anticipated in view of the trade depression and the low value of the local dollar; and the policy of the Government to draw on the surplus balance to meet such deficits instead of imposing new taxes is economically sound.

"The estimated deficit for the year 1936 of \$5,000,000 has by stricter economic measures been reduced to a little over \$1,000,000, and I hope that at the end of 1936 the position of the revenue in the Colony will be so improved that the anticipated Budget deficit of 3½ million dollars for the year 1937 will not be so large.

"In view of the trade depression and the shrinkage in revenue, I hope that the Government will see their way to finance all constructional work of a large or permanent nature such as markets, roads, bridges, etc., which benefit the future generations as well as, if not more than the present, by loans instead of from revenue.

"I find that the Government are getting very good revenue from the excess consumption of water and from meter rents. The system under which this charge is made causes a good deal of complaint from the Chinese community, particularly from the owners of tenement houses who allege that the amount charged for excess consumption is sometimes even more than the actual amount of rent received. I hope the Government will go thoroughly into the question and find means of settling the matter. However, my Chinese colleague the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo will speak more fully on the subject.

Grant-in-Aid Schools

"I think it a pity that the Government have seen fit to reduce the capitation grant to Grant-in-aid schools. These schools are a great help to the Government in the cause of education in the Colony; but the proposed cut of 10 per cent. will be a real discouragement to them. Accordingly, I am sure it would give great satisfaction if, in the event of an improvement in the financial position of the Colony towards the end of the year, the Government would bear this point in mind and restore the cut.

"I regret to see that the Government are going to impose increased taxes on motor-cars next year. The public would like to know whether extra taxation will be imposed on buses, public vehicles, in general, and transport vehicles as well as on private motor-cars.

Trade Increases

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"When the Hon. the Colonial Treasurer, on June 24, 1936, moved the resolution to increase the duty on light oils, he set out a rough estimate of the annual cost of maintaining the roads at a total of \$600,000, and the increase would be sufficient to meet the 1936 Bill for maintenance.

"According to the Memorandum of the Hon. the Colonial Treasurer on the financial position for 1936, 1936 and 1937, the increases of motor vehicle licences are to be from 30 to 50 per cent, and will be effective from July 1, 1937, and it is estimated that this will produce a further sum of \$42,000.00.

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Licences for motor cars	\$ 232,000
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Special licence fees for foreign vehicles	\$ 30,000
Licences for storage of motor spirit	\$ 3,000
Royalty payable by:—	
China Motor Bus Co., Ltd.	\$ 96,000
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"According to the last Census the population of the Colony came to just short of 850,000, which works out at over \$6 or 7s. 6d. (at 1/3 to the dollar) per head, of a population in which dire poverty is widespread. This Colony is a Crown Colony; it does not enjoy 'complete liberty and freedom and equality of status'.

"The question of 'Military Contribution' has often been raised in the past. Your Excellency has already done so much in effecting permanent retrenchment in the interests of the Colony that I venture to appeal to you, Sir, once again, to look into this matter and obtain some reduction of the burden, which entails the payment by the Colony, for the years 1935 to 1937—years of acute trade depression—of the sum of \$14,510,504 for Military Contribution.

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Sporting Page



SOCCER TREAT IN STORE FOR HONG KONG ENTHUSIASTS

DIVING CHAMPION TO TURN PRO.

Mrs. Dorothy Poynton-Hill Ends Amateur Status

New York, September 1.—Mrs. Dorothy Poynton-Hill, Olympic 3-metre spring-board diving champion, announced that she has finished with amateur competition and will turn professional. She will take a screen test in Hollywood, and will then leave immediately for Europe.

She will tour England, France, Germany and Scandinavia this winter, giving a series of exhibitions. "Three Olympic Games are enough for me," she said in an interview here. "I'm through as an amateur. I've defeated thirty divers in competition and have no more laurels to win."



FIRST-CLASS 1936 CRICKET AVERAGES

W. R. Hammond Again Leading Batsman

LARWOOD TOP OF BOWLING

London, September 12. Final cricket averages, published to-day, reveal Hammond, of Gloucestershire, as England's leading batsman for the second consecutive season. His success is outstanding, for he was unable to play at the beginning of the summer owing to illness. Following the second Test, against All-India at Manchester on July 25, however, he had a remarkable batting spell, and secured a record number of runs—1,281—in August.

Edrich, the young M.C.C. professional, who is qualifying for Middlesex and did not play in county championship matches, is placed second, with only nine first-class innings. Fishlock, the Surrey left-hander, is third.

Larwood (Notts) is top of the bowling, with Verity (Yorkshire), who had his most successful summer—taking 216 wickets—second, and Copson (Derbyshire) third.

The Averages

BATTING

(Qualification: 8 innings; average 10)

Times

Inns. N.O. Runs Av.

Hammond (W.R.) 42 5 2107 50.94

Edrich 31 1 440 55.00

Fishlock 53 13 2129 53.25

Hendren 58 2 2654 47.36

A. Melville 21 6 882 46.76

Leyland 44 5 1790 45.89

Foster 54 10 2016 45.31

N. S. Mitchell 37 5 1438 44.53

Hardstaff 48 4 1515 44.36

Ames 16 0 717 44.81

C. S. Dempster 38 6 1429 44.55

R. C. M. Kington 21 1 884 44.29

E. J. O. Meyer 13 3 434 43.40

Parks (H.) 51 10 1695 41.34

Worthington 45 3 1734 41.25

R. H. C. Human 16 2 551 39.32

Fagg 52 3 1927 39.32

E. R. T. Holmes 53 5 1874 39.04

D. R. Wilcox 18 1 653 38.41

Barnett 58 3 2098 38.14

BOWLING

(Qualification: 10 wickets)

O. M. R. W. Av.

Larwood 679.1 165 1544 119 12.97

Verity 1289.3 463 2847 216 13.18

Copson 793.2 239 1675 90 13.51

Bowen 874.4 277 1649 123 13.49

Smith (J.) 985.4 254 2006 133 15.08

Cole 58.3 25 247 16 15.43

J. C. Clay 397.4 184 977 62 15.75

Smiles 864.4 297 2251 139 17.54

Cover 1153.2 185 3547 206 17.73

C. O. Allen 590.3 96 1442 81 17.58

Eastman 635.1 222 1549 74 18.10

Pope (A.V.) 318 279 1796 99 18.13

J. Brockley 287 62 610 33 18.48

Bank 287 62 610 33 18.48

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Perks 287 62 610 33 18.48

R. W. V. 287 62 610 33 18.48

Robins 287 62 610 33 18.48

Hunt (Gomer) 287 62 610 33 18.48

C. W. Baker 287 62 610 33 18.48

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INTERPORT CRICKET

Hong Kong Lose Early Advantage.

PAT MADAR AND LECKIE IN BIG STAND

Shanghai, To-day. Hong Kong lost their grip on the game in the Interport cricket match here yesterday when, after dismissing four Shanghai batsmen for 97 runs before the lunch interval, they allowed the Northerners to take the total up to 266 for 6 before the close of play.

A. J. Barson (27) and R. Booth (0), both not out, resumed Shanghai's innings after the luncheon interval and Booth, after surviving a confident appeal for leg-before-wicket by R. Lee off his own bowling, sent up the century after play had been in progress for 162 minutes.

Pearce, the Hong Kong captain, then took up the bowling for the first time in the match, and bowling round the wicket, deceived Booth and bowled the batsman with his first delivery. Booth's contribution was 23 runs, and the partnership between himself and Barson had realised 57 runs for the fifth wicket.

Pat Madar joined Barson, and was lucky to be missed by K. Nazarin off Pearce's second ball. It was, however, a very low catch. With a single later, Pat Madar sent up 150 after 210 minutes of play.

Barson, who had been playing a steady game, then scored a boundary off Minu to reach his half-century. He had been at the wicket for 115 minutes then, but two runs later Pearce accepted a very hard return off his own bowling to dismiss Barson.

Barson had played a chanceless innings for his 53 runs, made in 130 minutes. The score when he left was 162 for 6.

Scoring Improves. The scoring was speeded up with the arrival of Leckie, and both batsmen went for the bowling, the second century being hoisted after 250 minutes of play, when Pat Madar stole a single.

The batsmen continued to hold the upper hand of the bowling despite various changes, and Madar with another single sent up 250 after 290 minutes.

Leckie was playing chanceless cricket, and was in a most aggressive mood, reaching 51 runs in the last over of the day, after being at the wicket for 65 minutes.

Pat Madar also reached his half-century in the last over, after having batted for 95 minutes. He had won two chances during his innings.

SHANGHAI—1st Innings

L. F. Stokes, c Colledge, b Pearce, 0

H. A. Sevenoaks, c Pearce, b Lee, 46

M. J. Divedea, c Pearce, b Minu, 21

G. Chatterton, lb.w., b Lee, 51

A. J. Barson, c and b Pearce, 27

R. Booth, b Pearce, 53

P. Madar, not out, 150

I. B. H. Leckie, not out, 51

Extras 21

Total (for 6 wickets) 266

Fall of the wickets: 1 (Stokes) for 0; 2 (Divedea) for 54; 3 (Chatterton) for 59; 4 (Sevenoaks) for 83; 5 (Booth) for 145; 6 (Barson) for 162.

Bowling Analysis

Runs Wickets

R. Lee 56 2

A. R. Minu 93 1

D. W. Pearce 23 1

T. A. Pearce 67 2

Reuter.

LIGA'S SOCCER TEAM FOR SATURDAY

The following will represent

Liga Portuguesa Football Club in

their Third Division League

soccer match against Kwong Wah

next Saturday at 3 p.m. Prince

Edward Road Ground.

A. M. Quinn; L. A. Gomes (Cap-

tain); G. Souza; R. Remedios, R.

Ribeiro, J. Remedios; C. Silva, E.

Santos, H. de Souza, A. Abiong, E.

Lawrence, A. Assis.

Reserves: C. Santos and R. Cruz.

There will be a Club game at the

Hong Kong Cricket Club on Satur-

day next, commencing at 11.45 a.m.

Members wishing to play are asked

to write their names in the book

provided for the purpose in the

pavilion.



Suen Kam-shun, the All-China Olympic soccer inside-left, left, has gone on to Shanghai with Darkie Chan, right, and will not be seen in next Sunday's exhibition soccer game, while Pau Ka-ping, centre, will be seen in goal instead of Wong Ki-leung (Wong Wing).



BRILLIANT HOCKEY WIN FOR NOMADS

Magnificent Display By Defence

HAMSON AT HIS BEST

(By "STICKS")

An amazing display of hockey was witnessed on the H.K.S.R.A. ground on the Marina yesterday evening, when the youthful Nomad Hockey Club beat the Police "B" team by 3 goals to nil, in their Inter-Section Hockey Tournament fixture, the main feature of which was the brilliant defence of the winners, which played the biggest part in their victory.

What lost the Police team the verdict was their individualism.

It was always a question of self glory, and in this manner several glorious openings went begging.

Willis, in the Police centre-half berth, gave a fine display of stickwork, but his feeding and distribution in general was poor. He very rarely found his man, even with a flick or scoop, and wasted much too much time in dilly-dallying with the ball instead of getting rid of it.

The Police forwards, and especially the two inside players S. K. Singh and G. Singh, were featured in several brilliant passing bouts, but they always failed to apply the finishing touches.

Brilliant Backs

Barros and S. Souza were really brilliant as a full-back combination and covered each other like seasoned veterans, but the real hero of the Nomads' defence was A. B. Hamson, the centre-half, whose deadly eye and stickwork played havoc with the scoops and flicks of the opposing forwards.

A. G. Xavier, one of the youngest members in the team, displayed some exceptionally clever stickwork and his recoveries and reverse-stick clearances were features of the game. I expect to see a great deal of this most promising youngster in the near future.

Three Reed Brothers

There were only three outstanding forwards in the Nomads' team and they were R. J. Reed, S. A. Reed and R. C. Reed, all brothers, although R. Silva's first goal was the result of a splendid piece of opportunism.

The first half opened at a terrific pace and it was at first thought that the Nomads would not be able to withstand the pace, but they opened the scoring through Silva, who cleverly intercepted a centre from R. C. Reed to net.

Second Goal

Just before the interval the Nomads went further ahead when S. A. Reed broke away on his own, following up a through pass, to score past the advancing B. W. Singh.

Late in the second half the Nomads netted their third and last goal when R. C. Reed broke through and scored after B. W. Singh, the Police custodian, had unnecessarily kicked the ball straight

Fine Sports Record



L. OLIVEIRA, one of Hong Kong University's finest all-rounders, was born in Shanghai in 1915 and was educated at St. Xavier's College, which has produced many of Shanghai's outstanding sporting personalities.

While at school Oliveira played soccer for the School's fourth team in the Shanghai League and on leaving school he came to Hong Kong to further his studies at the University.

He had learned to swim as a youngster, but never paid much attention to it until 1932, when he won a Handicap event at the University Championships. In the same year he showed remarkable progress, and represented the 'Varsity' in the 200 Yards Open Relay. He was also a member of their victorious teams of 1934-35 and again this year.

He took up hockey in 1933, when he played for the 'Varsity' in the Marnock Tournament. He has secured local International recognition, having played for Portugal at half-half in 1935, at right-half in 1934, and centre-half in 1935. He also received Colony recognition in 1934, when the Shanghai German Hockey Club visited the Colony in an unofficial capacity, playing at centre-half for the Civilians and left-half for the Colony in the unofficial Interport.

He entered the Colony 50 Yards free-style swimming championship in 1934 and was placed second to Teddy Paget and in the following year, was again, second, this time to Chan Chan-king.

This year Oliveira was unable to swim in the Colony championships as he was selected to represent Shanghai in the 50 and 100 Yards free-style events against Tientsin, in Tientsin. He was also in the Shanghai relay team and played water-polo for them!

As a track and field star, Oliveira has also had his share of the limelight. Last year he won the 100 and 200 Yards sprints. He also plays a good game of tennis and basketball, and was this season elected captain of the University football eleven.

to Reed's stick.

Nomads: C. Soares; S. Souza and F. G. Barros; A. G. Xavier; A. B. Hamson and L. Marques; R. Silva; B. J. Reed, S. A. Reed, R. C. Reed and E. Souza.

Police "B": B. W. Singh; I. B. Singh and M. Singh; C. Singh, Sgt. J. Willis and R. Singh; T. Singh, S. K. Singh, G. Singh, Sgt. A. Billingham and C. Singh.

K.I.T.C. BEAT Y.M.C.A. IN POOR HOCKEY MATCH

Too Much Attention To Fancy Work

NEW "FIND" NOT GIVEN LEADER'S BERTH

The Kowloon Indians' Tennis Club won their Inter-Section Hockey Tournament match against the European Y.M.C.A. on the Police Training School ground yesterday by four clear goals, but the victory was not a very impressive one, in that the standard of play was but mediocre, and had the "Y" been at full strength the score might not have been so heavy.

As it was, the losers were without their regular goal-keeper, A. Moss.

The game started with the Indians pressing, but too much attention to fancy stickwork on the part of most of their forwards saw three glorious opportunities thrown away. Pyara Singh, their new "find," did not, as expected, play in the centre-forward berth, which was occupied by Awtar Singh, but was seen at inside-right.

Good, But Selfish

He is undoubtedly a good man, but was inclined to be selfish yesterday. Awtar Singh played a good game at centre-forward and never hesitated to distribute the ball whenever he saw anybody else more favourably placed than he was. Playing his second game at centre-half, J. Pinto acquitted himself very creditably and spoiled many a good move by the "Y" forwards.

As far as the "Y" were concerned, H. Millington, at left-half, D. McLellan, centre-half, and S. Tremlett, leftback, were outstanding.

E. Fowler also played a hard-working game, but he was definitely out of place in the forward line as his type of play was more suited to the defence, and for that reason he will probably meet with more success amongst the halves.

Brown Off Form

W. J. Brown, their skipper, was off form in the centre-forward position, his main fault being that he would not feed the wings. He invariably passed forward and then tried to catch up with the ball. In this manner he missed many opportunities.

The first goal for the Indians came from Pyara Singh, who ran over to the left to intercept a pass which he crashed into the net. There was no more scoring in the first half, but after the change-over D. Noronha (2) and Awtar Singh added to the K.I.T.C.'s total.

Y.M.C.A.: K. Brock; E. Henderson, S. Tremlett; H. Lange, D. McLellan, H. Millington; C. Wellesley; Fowler, W. J. Brown, T. J. Price, H. Smith.

K.I.T.C.: M. Ramzan; Karmal Singh, Kushi Mohammed; J. Noronha, J. M. Pinto, P. N. Pereira; M. S. Nabl, D. Noronha. Awtar Singh, Pyara Singh, A. P. Singh.

ALL CHINA OLYMPIC TEAM TO PLAY SUNDAY'S GAME AGAINST COMBINED CHINESE

BIRTHDAY PRESENT FOR GENERALISSIMO

(By "Referee")

A RARE treat is in store for soccer enthusiasts this coming Sunday when a selected All-China World Olympic football team will meet a Combined Chinese eleven in aid of the funds for a present for Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, on the South China Athletic Association ground, at Caroline Hill, commencing at 4.30 p.m.

The South China "A" team, which is comprised almost entirely of Olympic players, will not commence their League fixtures this week-end as was supposed, but will do so next week. Sunday's exhibition game should see several changes in the play of the Olympic team, who should have learned something from their European tour and their games against the Casuals and Islington Corinthians in England.

Lee Wai-tong will probably make his first appearance in local soccer since his return from Berlin and we will be able to decide after the match whether or not he will continue to play. The Olympic team will be complete with the exceptions of Suen Kam-shun and Darkie Chan, who returned North with the Olympic delegation, but their vacancies could well be filled by some of the other players.

The Combined Chinese team will see several newcomers in the line-up, and among these Chow Man-chi, the Kowloon Chinese inside-left, is sure to be conspicuous. The Athletic, despite many transfers to the Kowloon Chinese, should be represented by at least three players, while the others will be from South China "B" and Eastern.

It will be seen from the Olympic team below that Wong Kileung (Wong Wing) will not be playing, and I am given to understand that he will be rested a full month before he plays soccer here in the League. In the meantime, Pau Ka-ping, whose retirement from the game has already been reported, will deputise in his stead.

The two teams will be selected from the following:—

All-China: Pau Ka-ping (goal-keeper); Tam Kong-pak, Lee Tinsang and Mak Shui-hon (full-backs); Leng Shui-tong, Leming Wing-chi, Wong Mei-shun and Lee Kwok-wai (half-backs); Yung Shui-yick and Tsao Kwai-shing (right-wingers); Tsang King-chong, Lee Wai-tong and Cheuk Shek-kam (inside-forwards); and Ip Pak-wa, Tay Quee-liang (left-wingers).

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RUGBY TRIAL TO-DAY

Club Preparing For Coming Season

The Rugby Section of the Hong Kong Football Club will hold their second trial game this afternoon at the Valley, commencing at 5.15 p.m., when sides will be selected to represent Colours and Whites.

The Club first fifteen will play their first friendly fixture next Saturday week, when they will be opposed by a Naval fifteen on the Club ground.

All players who turn out this afternoon, whether their names are among those below or not, are assured of a trial, and are reminded to bring both a white and coloured jersey.

There will be a third and final trial game to-day week.

The following are requested to turn out to-day:— Colours: Bidwell, Frost, Taylor, Lammet, Hands, Dummett, Lyle, Russell, Chambers, Bonner, Reid, Edwards, Paul, Gilmore, Currie, Gerard, Redman, B. Hyatt, Gallagher, Hopkins, Heath, Kiskner, P. Wilson, Binnie and Chadwick.

Whites: Stewart, G. Wilson, Butler, Henderson, Curtis, Griffiths, Holden, Coppin, Cox, Sharp, Schmal, Humphreys, Cumming, D. Hyatt, van Leeuwen, Clark, Beauford, Andrews, Munro, Smith, Austin, Watson, Peers and Grieve.



ARMY RUGBY IN THE COLONY

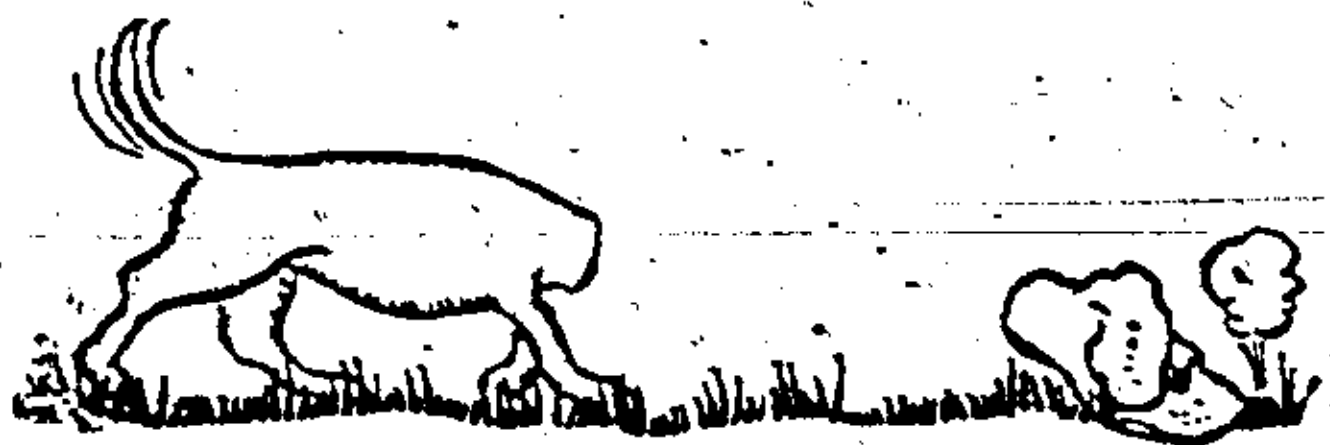
FIRST TRIAL ON OCTOBER 21

NEW SCRUM-HALF MUST BE FOUND

(By "REFEREE")

The Army Rugby trials will commence on October 21 on the Prince Edward Road ground when a Colours v Whites fixture will take place under the captaincy of Lieut. Lincoln, the Army and Colony hooker, who will probably act in this capacity until Lieut. J. A. M. Rice-Brans, of the Royal Welch Fusili

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BRADDOCK SUE BY PROMOTER

Alleged Failure To Appear In
Exhibition Bout

Trenton, New Jersey, September 5.—To add to his other troubles, James J. Braddock, the world's heavyweight champion, has been sued for \$10,000 by an Arizona sports promoter, Arthur Hirsch, the promoter, said Braddock agreed to box an exhibition three rounds last December in Winslow, Arizona. The champion was to have received \$600 or fifty per cent of the gross receipts.

Hirsch contended that he suffered a financial loss and a damaged reputation because Braddock "failed, neglected and refused to appear."

CHINA RETAINS ROTARY CUP IN NANKING

Nanking, October 1.—China retained the Nanking Rotary Cup for another year today when her representatives, Ma Shao-po and Li Pei-chu, defeated C. Y. MacDaniels and William P. Peem of the United States, in the doubles and cross singles this afternoon. In the first two singles yesterday, both Ma and Li beat their American opponents in three straight sets.—Central News.

LOCAL BADMINTON EXHIBITION

Trials To-Night At
Recreio

DATE CHANGED TO
TO-DAY WEEK

Badminton trials in connection with the coming exhibition against the visiting Shanghai Country Club combinations will be held this evening at 8 p.m. at Club de Recreio, after which selections for the Mens Doubles and Singles will be made.

In connection with to-night's trials, the following players are requested to appear:

W. C. Choy and S. P. Chan (C.R.C.), H. Kew (St. Andrew's), M. A. Oliveira, L. A. Carvalho, J. J. Remedios and L. A. Silva (Recreio), E. L. H. Shute and J. L. Anderson (First Brigade), T. C. Lee and K. S. Lew (Elliot Hall) and S. A. Gray (Kowloon Tong).

Trials to select two mixed doubles combinations to meet the Shanghai visitors will be held tomorrow evening at Club de Recreio, when the following are requested to make an appearance: Miss O. Ribeiro, Miss M. Silva and Miss C. Silva (Recreio), Miss M. Griffiths (First Brigade) and Miss A. Mackenzie (Kowloon Tong), Messrs. S. P. Chan, M. A. Oliveira, L. A. Carvalho, J. L. Anderson and S. A. Gray.

Admission to the exhibition, which will be held at Club de Recreio to-day week, will be \$1.00 (including tax), and every effort will be made to arrange the seating so that all spectators will have a full view of the games. But no seats will be reserved, tickets being purchased at the door.

THE BADMINTON LEAGUE

Two Divisions In
Men's Doubles

FIFTEEN TEAMS LIKELY TO
PARTICIPATE

The Hong Kong Badminton League season will open on Monday, November 16, it was decided last evening at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Badminton Association held in the S. C. M. Post Building.

It was also unanimously agreed to split the men's doubles division, making a first and second division.

A mixed doubles league will be run, but entries for the ladies' doubles will not close until the first week in December, and unless there are at least four teams entered, this division will not function this season.

Closing Date

The closing date for entering the League was fixed for October 20, when the next committee meeting will also be held.

As to the disposition of the teams in the two men's divisions, it was agreed that the final positions of the clubs in last season's league table should be adopted as a guide.

It was announced that the Chinese Y.M.C.A. would be entering and there was a likelihood of 15 men's teams participating.

ALL CHINA OLYMPIC TEAM TO PLAY

(Continued from Page 2)

Combined Chinese: Tang Yat-ming (Eastern) and Wong Wah-kai (S. China "B") (Goal-keepers); Leming In-chuan (S. China "B"), Wong Shek-ping (Athletic) and Choy Fai-jam (S. China "B") (Full-backs); Ng Ying-kee (Eastern), Chan Hing-kwong (Kowloon Chinese), Lam Tak-po (S. China "B") and Ho Chor-yin (Kowloon Chinese) (Half-backs); Tang Kwong-sun (Kowloon Chinese), Chan



Sarah Falfrey Fabyan, who ranked second only to Helen Jacobs, went down in defeat to 17-year-old Dorothy May Bundy (right) of California in the National Singles Tennis Tournament at Forest Hills, New York, last month. Mrs. Fabyan is shown congratulating her conqueror. The match was the biggest upset of the tournament.

STOKES IN FINE FORM

Fine Knock In
Final Trial

SHANGHAI CRICKETERS
DO WELL

Shanghai, October 1.—Demonstrating both batting and bowling strength in no uncertain manner, the Interport cricket team scored an overwhelming victory over the Rest of Shanghai by 125 runs, in the final trial match played on the S.C.C. ground yesterday.

The interporters had first knock and put on the impressive total of 271 runs, declaring for the loss of five wickets, after they had been in for just on three hours. The Rest were left with two hours and a half to get the necessary number of runs, but in their attempt to force the pace early in the innings, they lost the majority of their best batsmen and the whole side was dismissed in just over two hours, having scored a total of 146 runs.

Stokes In Form

Most significant in the day's play was the return to form of L. F. Stokes, who batted with confidence in a good innings for 71 runs. He gave an exhibition similar to that seen in past years, and which he had not shown this season, getting his eye in and scoring rapidly right from the start. His first boundary hit was a glorious stroke and he continued to punish the bowling, slowing down somewhat when he reached his half century, but renewing the pace until he was bowled by Gould.

In past seasons, Stokes has been regarded as the ideal opening batsman, but a certain amount of trepidation was felt on his selection this year. Nevertheless, on yesterday's form he could not be bettered and it is to be hoped he retains it for the Interport next week. (Stokes was out for a "duck" in the first innings against Hong Kong yesterday, being caught by W. H. Colledge off Capt. D. W. Persse).

Yu-tien (Eastern) Lai Shui-wing (S. China "B"), Chan Tak-tai (S. China "B"), Soong Ling-sing (Eastern), Chow Man-chi (Kowloon Chinese) and Cheong Boon-wing (Athletic) (Forwards).

YANKEES WIN TITLE

4-2 Win Over Giants
In World Series

ONLY 38,000 SEE FINAL
ENCOUNTER

New York, To-day.

The New York Yankees won the World Series Baseball pennant for 1936 from the New York Giants by 4 games to 2, the scores in the final match at the Giants' Stadium yesterday being 13-5 in favour of the Yankees.

Detailed scores were as follows:

	R.	H.	E.
New York Yankees	13	17	5
New York Giants	5	9	1

There was an attendance of only 38,427 people at the game, this being the smallest crowd that has attended any one game in the series just concluded.

The Yankees were leading as the ninth innings began and the climax of the game was reached when they scored seven runs in this stanza, knocking Coffman, the Giants' third pitcher in this game, from the box. Coffman was replaced by Gumbert.

GIANTS SCORE FIRST

The Giants started off in grand style, scoring two runs in the first inning on a two-bagger by Melvin Ott. The Yankees equalized in the second, a homer by Powell sending in Bob Selkirk, and they went ahead in the third when Rolfe romped home on a fly by Lou Gehrig.

When the Yankees made four hits and two runs in the fourth innings, Fitzsimmons, the Giants' pitcher, was replaced halfway through the innings by Castleman after allowing five runs and nine hits since the beginning of the game. Ott hit a home run for the Giants in the fifth and in the seventh Dick Bartell scored on his own double, eventually coming home on a single by Bill Terry.

MOORE HITS HOMER

Each side scored one run in the eighth, Moore making the circuit run for the Giants. Coffman, who was pitching for the Giants, allowed three hits and as many runs, with nobody out, before he was replaced by Gumbert.

The Yankees scored their first run in this inning on an error by Danning, who had replaced Mancuso, the catcher, after the latter had been hit on the chin by the ball. After this a rot set in, Powell bringing in two runs, and Murphy and Rolfe one each.

Gomez, the winning pitcher, allowed four runs and eight hits before he was replaced in the middle of the sixth inning by Murphy, who allowed one hit, Moore's homer. The losing pitcher was Fitzsimmons.—Reuter.

EARLIER RESULTS

The results of the first four matches of the present series were:

	R.	H.	E.
Giants	6	9	1
Yankees	1	7	2

SECOND GAME

Giants	1	11	0
Yankees	2	4	0

THIRD GAME

Yankees	13	17	0
Giants	4	6	1

FOURTH GAME

Yankees	5	10	1
Giants	2	7	1

FIFTH GAME

Giants	5	8	3
Yankees	4	10	1

HOME RUN RECORD

Second Game: — Tony Lazzeri (Yankees).
Third Game: — Lou Gehrig (Yankees).
Fifth Game: — Bob Selkirk (Yankees).
Sixth Game: — Powell (Yankees), Melvin Ott (Giants), Moore (Giants).

R.A.F. TROUNCED AT BANGKOK

Bangkok, September 24.—The Royal Air Force rugby team from Singapore were badly beaten by 30 points to nil today by the Bangkok Sports Club. The score comprised three tries, three goals and two penalties. Those present at the game included the Council of Regency and the British Minister.

PASCAL NARROWLY BEATEN IN LINTON STAKES

Champion Jockey Fails On
Colt By A Head

London, September 29.—Pascal, owned by Mr. H. E. Morris, of Shanghai, failed by the narrowest margin at Newmarket to-day to win the Linton Two-year-old Stakes over five furlongs.

Carrying 9 st. 2 lb., the colt, ridden by Gordon Richards, the champion jockey, lost by a head to First Thyme, which carried 8 st. 4 lb. Hesperus, carrying 9 st. 2 lb., was third, four lengths away. Fifteen ran. The starting prices were: 6-1 First Thyme; 5-2 Pascal and 15-8 Hesperus.

RIDING BOY THROWN AT VALLEY

Violet Queen Involved
In Accident

(By "RAPHER")

A nasty accident occurred this morning when a riding boy by the name of Lee Kwong Sang was thrown by Violet Queen, the Australian pony belonging to Mr. Chin Cheong-fan.

The pony was taken out for its mile gallop, and when nearing the winning post the riding boy was badly thrown. I believe that the leather strap attached to the bit snapped, as a result of which he lost control. He was immediately taken to the Jockey Room, where he was attended by Dr. Wong Sik To. He was found to be suffering from slight concussion.

MANY OFFERS FOR J. H. LEWIS

Three Australian Bouts
For \$50,000

New York, September 1.

John Henry Lewis, the world's cruiser-weight champion, is considering other offers besides the one he has received from the officials of Wembley Stadium to fight Len Harvey in England.

Lewis has received a bid to fight three bouts in Australia for \$50,000. Two of these fights are to be over weight and one for the title. The Chicago Stadium is also anxious to get his services for a fifteen round bout with Red Burman, in defense of his title.

At the moment Lewis is booked to fight for the championship in Madison Square Garden, New York, sometime in November, providing a suitable opponent can be found.

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Appeal To Reason

With the stage finally set
for the Sino-Japanese negotia-
tions there is room for a sin-
cere appeal to the Japanese to
stay their hands and cease from
any more "demands" which can
only be satisfied at the expense
of the dignity and sovereignty
of China. Everything that has
happened in the last few weeks
has been ominous and saturat-
ed with the possibilities of
stife. The series of
"incidents" one after the
other, has heightened the ten-
seness of the outlook at a
time when the thinnest of bar-
riers separated armed discord
from peace. No one seeks to
belittle the gravity of the
murders of Japanese citizens on
Chinese soil; but that kind of
race murder does not take
place gratuitously. There is
always a background to them,
undesirable and cowardly as
they are; and in this instance
it is surely not mis-stating the
position to declare that the
state of mind of the populace
which has committed them
verges somewhat on despera-
tion, resulting in racial animos-
ity among individuals which
is extremely hard to check.
The people of China as a whole
have behaved with remarkable
forbearance in the most ex-
asperating circumstances. It
may truly be said that they
have been goaded almost to
desperation. The country has
seen the approaching juggernaut
of disintegration sweep down
upon it with invincible move-
ment; whole districts have been
filched without so much as a
"by your leave," and it has all
been accompanied by blandish-
ments which are obviously in-
sincere. The mere fact that
Japan has isolated herself in
the goodwill of the rest of the
world by her encroachments
upon China is surely evidence
that her protestations are really
not worth the breath that is
expended in uttering them. It
is futile for her to ask that
the anti-Japanese movement, or
sentiment, in China shall be
eradicated while she insists on
adding fuel to its fire by every
article of her policy as-a-vis
China that she enunciates.
What value can there be in her
pleas for co-operation when
every instrument of her policy
is patently devised to humiliate
the country as much as she
possibly can? What else can
one say of her "demands," her
encroachments and finally, the
amazing effrontery—in deal-
ings with a supposedly
sovereign State—of stationing
landing-parties in Chinese ter-
ritory (as at Hongkew), erect-
ing barbed-wire entanglements
in the streets, questioning and
arresting civilians and general-
ly displaying a most cynical
disregard for ordinary inter-
national usages? When allied
troops were stationed in the
Rhineland after the war all rea-
sonable people deplored the
development, which was a most
humiliating affront to the con-
quered nation; but at least the
proceeding was hallowed with a
certain amount of validity be-
cause it came at the end of a
conflict in which one side was
the victor and the other the
vanquished; and excesses of
gaucherie such as these follow
every war. But in the recent
case in Shanghai there was not
even that weak and invalid
excuse. Because a Japanese
citizen had been murdered, pre-
sumably by Chinese—though
this point has even appar-
ently never been satisfac-
torily cleared up—a stronger
nation saw fit to take the ex-
treme measures outlined above.

FAREWELL TO
CONDUCTORMr. Anderson Miller
FetedCHINESE CHORAL SOCIETY
FUNCTION

The members of the Hong Kong
Chinese Choral Society assembled
in force on Monday evening to
bid farewell to their founder and
conductor, Mr. J. Anderson
Miller.

After dinner, the Chairman of
the Society, Mrs. J. C. W. Lum,
paid a warm tribute to Mr. Ander-
son Miller's hard work and en-
larged on the great affection and
pride which the Choral Society
had in him as their conductor.
The President of the Society, Miss
Shin Tak-hing, Mr. Fok Wing-ka
and other speakers also eulogised
Mr. Miller's work.

Mrs. P. C. W. Lum then handed
to Mr. and Mrs. Anderson Miller
a beautiful table screen inset
with precious stones in a black-
wood frame and a holder suitably
inscribed. She remarked that the
presentation was made to both, as
Mrs. Anderson Miller had given
invaluable help in accompanying
the choir on all occasions.

Thanks Expressed
Mr. Anderson Miller after
thanking the Society very heartily
for the beautiful present which he
said would always be placed in the
most conspicuous place as a re-
minder of their affection and
esteem, introduced Mr. Lindsay
A. Lafford, the new conductor.
Mrs. Anderson Miller, in a brief
speech, said how pleased she had
been to do anything for the So-
ciety and how much she would
treasure the beautiful present
they had just received.

Rehearsals of the music chosen
by Mr. Miller will shortly be
renewed for the next concert of
the Society.

COLONY DANCING
CHAMPIONSHIPHotel Floor Again
Crowded

A large crowd was present at
the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong
Hotel yesterday evening for the
second heat of official ballroom
dancing championship of the Co-
lony.

The winners, by popular vote
and judges' decision were Mr.
Thomas Lee and Miss Crispina
Perpetuo. Runners up by popular
vote were Mr. Y. S. Ling and Miss
Gloria Yee. A further heat will
be decided to-day.

EXPLANATION
OF TO-DAY'S
CARTOONOutlived Their 24
Children

Mr. and Mrs. Jan Pargdowski,
now living in Kansas City,
Kansas, have had 24 children, yet
not one of them is living to-day.
Jan is now 86 years old, his wife
78. They came over from Poland
when comparatively young and at
that time had quite a family. Most
of their children, however, were
born in California. The oldest
child died 10 years ago at the age
of 50; several daughters suffered
from incurable diseases and died
in their teens, and many of the
children died in infancy. Jan and
his wife are both hale and hearty
and hope to live a full century
each.

in contravention of every idea
of fair play.

It is difficult to see where it
will all end, except perhaps in
senseless and wasteful strife.
Because plainly the attitude of
China is stiffening, and there is
less willingness to submit to
coercion than there was a few
months ago. The country is
to-day in a far better position
to resist than it was before
Chiang Kai-shek effected some
sort of cohesion. The friends
of both China and Japan will
most ardently wish two things:
that no further "demands" are
formulated on the one side, and
that the other may not be
goaded into a concrete trial of
its newfound strength. Either
way lies war—war which will
undoubtedly involve the West
as well as the East, with all the
excesses and horrors of which
the world has recently had and
is still getting its toll.

Here
There
and
Everywhere

c. DOG, b. TRUMPER

A curious game of cricket was
played in England in 1827. A Mr.
Trumper challenged two other men
to a match on condition that he
was allowed to have, as his second,
his sheep dog.

Trumper went in first. He
made about a dozen runs and was
clean bowled. Then the other side
went in. Trumper bowled and the
dog stood by his side.

After a few balls the batsman
hit one into the air and the dog
caught it in his mouth.

The second and last man went
in and hit the first ball fairly hard
to the off-side. It seemed an easy
run, but the dog went after the
ball like a flash and brought it
back to his master.

The opposition was out with
only one run scored, and Trumper
won the small bet he had made
with the two men.

Your Daily Smile!

His Duty

The famous counsel had been en-
joying a witness with some of his
questions. The witness, a country-
man, objected to counsel's attempt
to upset his story, and at length
could stand it no longer.
"Luk 'e 'ere," he cried with indig-
nation. "Oi be 'ere to say what Oi
be paid to say, and Oi ain't saying
nowt else."

In Writing

Young Man! Say it with flowers
or fruit!—Notice in Florist's Win-
dow.

With anything, in fact, but ink.

Frankly Speaking

Shopper: "So you don't have my
size?"

Shoe Salesman: "As a matter of
fact, madam, we have no shoes that
are large on the inside and small on
the outside."

THE DORADO ARRIVES

The R.M.A. Dorado arrived here
at 5.30 p.m. yesterday, after hav-
ing made the flight from Penang
in one day. The lateness of the
European mail in arriving at
Penang caused the delay to the
Dorado which waited for the con-
nection. There were no passengers
aboard, but the plane brought
1,450 kilos of freight and 168.112
kilos of mail.

PHOTOGRAPHY AS
AID TO PRINTING
NEW IDEAS EVOLVED IN
AMERICAMACHINE DEvised TO USE FILM
INSTEAD OF HOT LEAD

FIFTY years ago the linotype
machine set and cast the
first lines of type in a news-
paper office. The invention
marked the greatest advance in
printing since the days of
Gutenberg. Scores of attempts
had been made to set ordinary
foundry type letters mechan-
ically. Not one was good enough
to interest practical printers.

Then came Ottmar Mergenthal-
er with the bold idea of a
machine which would make its
own type and cast it, not letter
by letter but line by line.
Faster and cheaper composi-
tion, better printing, a new
dress of type for each job were
the immediate gains.

In a Mergenthaler linotype
machine the compositor
operates a keyboard much like
that of a typewriter. As he
plays upon the keys brass
matrices fall out of a magazine
and arrange themselves into
lines of words which are auto-
matically justified. Each
matrix carries a sunken letter.
When a line of matrices is com-
plete, molten lead is mechan-
ically forced against it. Thus a
whole line of raised letters is
cast. The matrices are then
lifted automatically to the top
of the machine, sorted out
mechanically and returned to
their proper channels in the
magazine to be used over
again.

Modern Changes

In the old days a newspaper
or a book was printed directly
from type. To-day fast print-
ing of large editions, especially
of newspapers and magazines,
demands additional steps.
Copper electrotypes are made
from the cast type, and from
these magazines are printed.
In newspaper offices the page
of type, locked together in a
chase, is pressed into thick
pulp paper to form a "mat,"
in which the letters are sunk.
Molten lead is poured upon the
mat by machine to form a
stereotype. And it is from

stereotype plates that news-
papers are printed on fast web
presses.

In addition to this relief
method of printing there are
also the planographic and in-
taglio processes.

In the planographic process
both printing and non-printing
surfaces are on the same plane,
but the type matter is photo-
graphed and then fixed as a
fatty image which repels water
but holds ink.

In the intaglio the type
matter is photographed on and
etched below the plate surface.
Flood the plate with ink, then
wipe it clean and ink remains
in the sunken letter. Press a
paper against the plate and the
ink in the recesses is literally
sucked out. The result is read-
able print on paper.

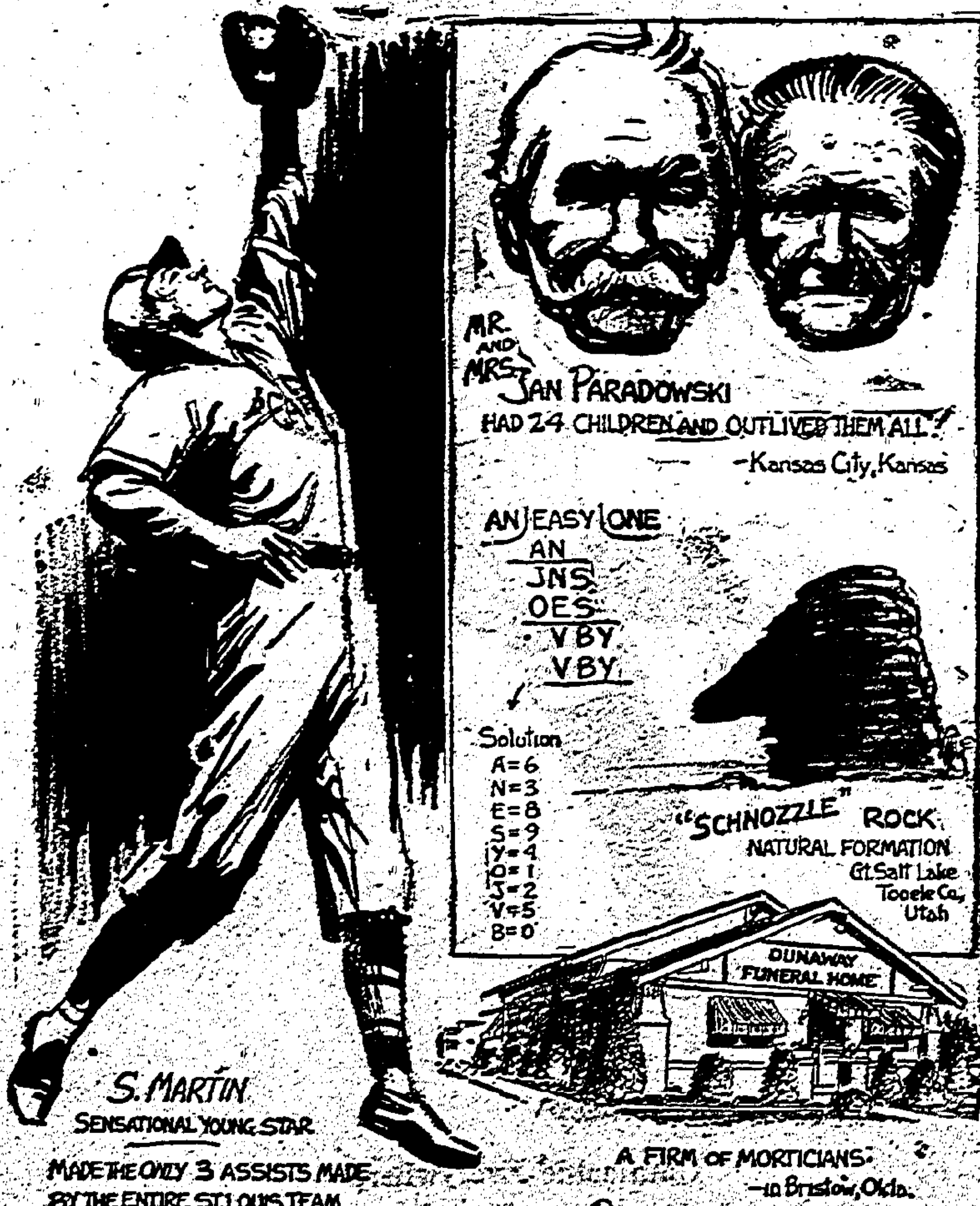
Photography Examined

Evidently much time and
money could be saved if the
steps between typesetting and
printing could be reduced in
number. So at least a score
of inventors have turned to
photography. Suppose printed
letters were assembled into
lines of words all in black and
white. Suppose that a photo-
graph were made of these lines.
Suppose that a photolithograph
or photoengraving on zinc or
copper were made from this.
We would have a printing plate,
one that could be electrotyped
if need be. Assuming that the
original "copy" has been cor-
rected for typographical and
other errors, there would be no
need of proof-reading.

The latest and apparently
simplest and most promising of
all these efforts to do away with
type casting is that of Samuel
I. S. Friedman and Dr. Otto I.
Bloom. If these two inventors
seem to be more practical than
their predecessors it is because
they have adapted the Mer-
genthaler machine to make the
necessary photographs.

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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



MR. AND MRS.
JAN PARADOWSKI
HAD 24 CHILDREN AND OUTLIVED THEM ALL!
—Kansas City, Kansas

AN EASY ONE
AN
JNS
OES
VBY
VBY

Solution

A=6
N=3
E=8
S=9
Y=4
O=1
J=2
V=5
B=0



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MADE THE ONLY 3 ASSISTS MADE
BY THE ENTIRE SILENT TEAM
April 20, 1936

VIGOROUS CRITICISM BY UNOFFICIALS OF BUDGET PROPOSALS

(Continued from Page 3)

"In answer to certain questions by my Honourable friend Mr. J. P. Braga, the Hon. the Acting Colonial Secretary, on November 28, 1935, made the following statement in regard to Mr. Burney's Report:

"Although the Report in question has been laid on the table of this Council it is the opinion of the Government that the consideration of its detailed recommendations should in the first place be the concern of the Board of Education, to which the Report has been referred."

"In view of this remark I refer to Mr. Burney's Report with diffidence because, so far as I know, the Board of Education has not published any report of the result of its detailed consideration of this Report. But I share the view, which I know is held by many in the Colony, that there is something wrong with the educational policy of the Colony. A Government announcement as to its educational policy would have been welcome."

"The insufficiency of the existing provision for Primary Education was commented upon by the Retrenchment Commission. (See paragraph 9, under the heading 'Education Department'). But I respectfully differ from the view therein expressed, that 'too much is done for Secondary Education.'"

Lack Of Facilities

"Mr. Burney also deplored the extremely poor quality of the Primary Education provided, but I do not understand from his Report that he considers that too much has been done for Secondary Education. It is true that out of the vote for the Education Department of over two million dollars, a very substantial part is devoted to Government Secondary Schools, and in subsidies for subsidised schools. And yet, to the average Chinese parent in the Colony the problem of giving his children a sound education is difficult, if not insoluble."

"There are, of course, numerous excellent Secondary Schools in the Colony, but for the most part they are run by religious bodies, and if the parent does not want his boy to be brought up in a religious atmosphere not his own, he is practically restricted to Government Secondary Schools, in which the teaching of Chinese is at best inadequate. And if the problem for a parent in such circumstances is difficult as regards his son, the difficulty is much more accentuated in the case of his daughter, for I believe I am right in saying that there is only one Government Secondary School for girls open to Chinese."

"Of the total Education Vote of over two million dollars, the sum of just over \$1,600,000 is for Personal Emoluments. But the materials provided do not enable one to work out how much it costs to run each Government School, and the cost per capita of the boys in each Government School. I respectfully ask for a statement on the lines indicated above."

"Mr. Burney, at page 16 of his Report, referred to the British Schools as follows:—

"In 1934 the Director of Education wrote: 'The Government realises the justice of making the ratepayers contribute as little as possible towards the cost of this special class of schools, and the fees are therefore put as high as the parents can afford.' It is open to doubt whether that is true now; in 1933 the fees were \$90 — i.e., just about one-seventh of the gross cost per head. \$90 means in sterling from about \$4 10s. to about \$9, according to the rate of exchange. There would not appear to be any hardship in making the parents contribute a rather higher proportion of the total cost, and this could be done either by increasing the fees or by reducing the staff, or both."

"For boys whose average attendance in 1935 came to 230 a new school has just been opened, built at a cost of about half a million dollars, with playing grounds sufficient for two large football fields, tennis courts, and a pavilion. According to the Director's Report for 1935 the total enrolment in all schools, Government or otherwise, is as follows:—

In Vernacular Schools 38,394.
In English Schools 17,086.

"I cannot readily call to mind any Vernacular School which possesses recreational grounds, and the recreational facilities for other English Schools are either nonexistent, or utterly inadequate."

Queen's College

"Considerations, such as the above, make so much more tragic the lament of the Director in his speech at the opening of the new Central British School, 'of the

absence of recreational facilities for Queen's College. The Director said:—

"I am... thinking... of a stronghold of young people, surrounded by a strip of green and enveloped in quietness, and about all in the air essentially a 'castle in the air' just such a place as Your Excellency has to-day thrown open to our British boys and girls. I ask no more and no less, for our premier Chinese school."

"I beg respectfully to associate myself with the Director in his hope, and his request."

Property And Rates

"I propose now to make a few observations on the question of Hong Kong property in relation to Rates and Excess Water Charges."

"In the Report on the Economic Position of Hong Kong published in February 1935, the Commissioners pointed out that in 1934 the rateable value stood at \$38,641,856, and that this figure, capitalised on the basis of 7 per cent. per annum, represented an investment in rateable property of no less than \$550,000,000. After pointing out that the total value of the shares of local companies (other than financial institutions), listed by the Stock Exchange amounted to approximately \$150,000,000 (which, of course, consisted to an appreciable extent of investments in property), that the estimated total investment in Chinese factories or in Chinese industry in the Colony amounted to about \$50,000,000, and that the total note issue amounted to about \$160,000,000 (of which a great part is held outside the Colony), the Commissioners observed:—

"These comparative figures serve to make it abundantly clear that a very large portion, if not the bulk, of the wealth of the Colony, is represented by property."

"That this must be so is hardly surprising in a territory where there is little agriculture, almost a complete absence of any trace of mineral wealth, and where industry is still only in its infancy."

(See page 8 of the Report.)

"The new rateable value for 1936 to 1937 is at the reduced figure of \$34,643,760, but even this figure, capitalised on the same basis, represents an investment of nearly \$500,000,000. The importance of Hong Kong property as an asset, though no doubt generally inadequately appreciated, is obvious."

"The Commissioners reported that property values were very depressed and that it was extremely difficult to negotiate the sale of any property. Four main causes for this state of affairs were suggested by the Commissioners, two of which were excessive charges for water (in the case of Chinese property), and rates."

Raised Rates

"As regards Rates, which were some years ago raised from 13 per cent. to 17 per cent., in view of the present financial position of the Colony, I can only respectfully concur in the Commissioners' observation that:—

"While it may not be possible to restore the old rate of taxation, we consider that in view of the severe depression in property it should be Government's aim to bring about some reduction at the earliest possible moment."

"If no alleviation can at present be given in regard to rates I submit that something can, and should be, done in regard to excessive charges for water which, as the Commissioners remarked:—

"may be fairly described as unreasonably high, and have had a serious effect in making such property unsaleable."

"In the Commissioners' view clearly some relief here is overdue! That the property market has not improved but has, on the contrary, deteriorated, is clearly shown by the Hon. the Colonial Treasurer's report on the Assessments for the year 1936 to 1937. In this report it can be seen that the rateable value in respect of 1934 to 1935 of just over \$38,500,000 dropped, in respect of 1935 to 1936, to less than \$36,500,000, and again dropped, in respect of 1936 to 1937, to just over \$34,000,000. As the Hon. the Colonial Treasurer observed, this is the third successive annual valuation showing a decrease and 'there has been no instance of a decrease being shown in three successive annual valuations for the last 50 years.'"

"I do not forget the recent reduction in the charges for excess water consumption and the discounts allowed for prompt payment. But these measures, which are gratefully appreciated, do not go to the root of the problem which is merely this, that the land load is under the liability to pay an unascertained and unascertainable amount for a supply over which he can exercise no effective, or any, control."

Prevention Of Waste

"It may be recalled that one of the main grounds for the introduction of universal meterage was not to obtain an increase in revenue out of a sheer necessity of life, but to prevent waste, and yet, as the Commissioners clearly showed, 'the prevention of waste is mainly dependent upon the measure of physical control exercised by the Water Authority in any given year, and that the factor of prevention by economic pressure is not operative under our present system,' and the Commissioners held that 'it is difficult in the face of this evidence to regard our present system of water charges, based on a 'valuation' supply plus 'extras,' as being either equitable in incidence or efficacious in prevention of waste.'"

"The Hon. the Director of Public Works was kind enough to supply me with certain figures in respect of the period 1920 to 1935. The figures show expenditure for maintaining Water Works on the one hand (which comprises Public Works Recurrent and Salaries attributable to the Water Works), and, on the other hand, the net revenue derived for Water (which comprises water excess charges and the 'water rates' (2 out of the 17 per cent. assessment)).

"From 1920 to 1935 the total expenditure for the whole period amounted to just over \$7,000,000, and the total revenue came to just over \$22,800,000, showing a net profit obtained by Government from water of about \$15,800,000. The excess of revenue over expenditure for the period 1920 to 1935 comes to \$4,351,845.17, and for the period 1928 to 1935 comes to \$11,473,060.24."

"I understand that the total capital expenditure for the Water Works of the Colony, up to the end of 1935, came to approximately \$28,600,000. But I submit that as regards expenditure incurred prior to 1927, it has been more than repaid from Water Revenue obtained. And, as far as I can make out, capital expended since 1927 is as follows:—

Under 1927 Ordinance
1st Section Shing Mun Valley Scheme \$ 3,500,000.00
Under 1934 Ordinance
Revised Estimated Cost—Aberdeen Valley Water Scheme \$ 2,555,702.78
Shing Mun Balance of 1st Section and whole of 2nd Section \$ 9,941,877.98
\$15,997,580.76

No Desire For Profit

"Government has all along stated that it has no wish to make money out of water supplied to the inhabitants, and I submit that the only fair way of computing the cost of water supplied is to ascertain the amount payable for interest on the amount of the new capital outlay, the amount payable for the annual reduction and repayment of the loan, and for the cost of maintenance. On this basis my figures are as follows:—

Total loan attributable to Water Works from 1927 to date—say \$16,000,000
Yearly reduction of 1/25th of \$ 640,000
Interest at 3% per cent \$ 560,000
P. W. R. and Salaries, say \$ 500,000
\$ 1,700,000

According to the Draft Estimate

the revenue from Rates is computed at \$5,600,000, representing 17 per cent. of the Assessment. 2/17ths of this is in respect of water, amounting to \$658,324; the estimated revenue for water excess supply and metre rents for 1937 is \$1,775,000, making a total of \$2,433,324. (I am not clear as to whether the above revenue includes payments received by Government for water supplied to steamers at Hong Kong.)

"As any revenue for water exceeding \$1,700,000 constitutes an excessive charge, I submit that the excessive charge for Water on the Budget figures comes to over \$700,000 for the current year."

"Now that we have an assured supply from the Jubilee Reservoir, I suggest that all excess water charges be abolished and that, in lieu thereof, an additional 3 per cent. on the Assessments be raised as a separate 'Excess Water Tax.' This tax will bring in just short of \$1,000,000 this year, and as the abolition of excess water charges will have the effect of improving the property market, the rateable value of property in Hong Kong will rise, and the amount repaid

by the new tax will correspondingly increase. On the other hand, by the abolition of excess water charges, there will be a very heavy saving in personnel and administration in the P.W.D."

"There should be no difficulty in checking wastage or excessive consumption, by water restriction if necessary, in particular districts, and the supply of water can be conserved sectionally, or by districts."

Many Attractions

"The idea of applying this new principle of water charges only to what may be termed 'tenement house districts' has many attractions. But I realise that it would be difficult to work out the amount necessary to compensate the revenue for foregoing the excess water charges in these particular districts, having regard to the difficulty of computing the amount collectable as excess water charges from the rest of the Colony."

"It may be that my proposal may not be attractive to those who in practice have no excess water charges to pay, but I submit that all should cheerfully accept the burden of the new tax if, as I am persuaded, this is the only solution of an otherwise insoluble problem."

Island Bay Beach

"The Island Bay Beach, with its undertow, is known to be extremely dangerous, and many fatal accidents have occurred. As it cannot be very expensive to provide for a rowing boat (say on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons, and Sundays, during the bathing season), with a man in charge to throw in a life buoy when needed, I suggest that this question should be considered by Government. I appreciate that Government gets a certain amount of revenue from the bathers at Island Bay. But I submit such a small expenditure would be more than amply justified if even one life could be saved."

Governor At Canton

"The maintenance of the happy and cordial relation between Hong Kong and Canton has often been referred to in this Council. It is unnecessary for me to dwell on this subject. But may I, Sir, be permitted to say that the Colony learned with pleasure and appreciation of the warm welcome accorded to Your Excellency and Lady Caldecott, on the occasion of your recent visit, by our hospitable neighbour, and that nothing could be more effective than such a visit, in view of Your Excellency's personal and Lady Caldecott's gracious charm, in cementing the friendship and promoting a spirit of mutual co-operation between these two places?"

Miscellaneous Matters

"I regret the time I have already taken up. There are still a few other miscellaneous matters on which I desire some information, and for the sake of brevity, I propose to set out the items in an interrogative form."

"1. On page 14 of the Hon. the Colonial Secretary's Memorandum there is a reference to centralisation of the reception of Press messages in the hands of Government. Will Government be good enough to make a statement, for the information of the public, as to the extent and effect of this centralisation, especially in relation to owners of radio sets?"

"2. In both the new Gaol and the Queen Mary Hospital, a highly qualified mechanic... having the qualifications of a University graduate in Engineering will have to be appointed to take charge of the boiler installation. What is the necessity for such an elaborate boiler installation? I assume that these posts are open to graduates of the Hong Kong University, but I respectfully ask for confirmation on this point."

"3. I understand that the Island is drawing a considerable supply of water from King's Jubilee Reservoir because, in spite of the fact that the Island reservoirs are full, the existing filtering capacity of the Island is insufficient to cope with the demand. If this is so, will Government consider the question of increasing the filtering capacity on the Island?"

Not Over-Staffed

"I understand from my Honourable friend the Harbour Master that in comparison with London and other places, on the basis of tonnage visiting the port, we are by no means over-staffed, but such a basis of comparison may easily prove very misleading. In Hong Kong statistics of tonnage visiting the port are swollen by frequent calls of coasting and

replace the aqueduct at a reasonable cost. If this is so will Government consider the question of remedying this defect?"

"5. In view of the mass of legislation which has got on the Statute Book since 1923, will Government consider the question of bringing out a new edition of the Hong Kong Ordinances in the near future?"

Tribute To Governor

"The Senior Unofficial Member has already expressed our appreciation of the Hon. the Colonial Secretary's speech and of the memoranda prepared by the Hon. the Colonial Treasurer and the Hon. the Director of Public Works. If in my remarks I have been somewhat critical, I certainly do not wish it to be understood that I am unappreciative of the way in which Government has faced the situation. On the contrary I wish to say, if I may be permitted to do so, how much I have admired the courage, industry and statesmanship with which Your Excellency has grappled with the various problems, culminating in the Budget, since your arrival in Hong Kong."

"The decision to resort to surplus balances to meet the deficit rather than to new taxation, which may have a disastrous effect on industry, as I have stated, very much appreciated. The result of the steps which Your Excellency has already taken, or has in contemplation, by way of effecting permanent retrenchment, can only, of course, become apparent with the lapse of time, but I venture to think that what you, Sir, have already done, merits, and will receive, the lasting gratitude of the community."

Hon. Mr. Johnson's Speech

COST OF MARINE SURVEY DEPARTMENT

In his speech the Hon. Mr. H. T. Johnson said:—

"Your Excellency, I desire to associate myself with the congratulations voiced by my Honourable friend the Senior Unofficial Member upon the manner in which the Budget has been presented, and to express my sympathy with Your Excellency that your first Budget for the Colony should be one in which so much has had inevitably to be sacrificed to economy."

"I would like to refer to one subject which has come particularly to my notice as a Member of the Harbour Advisory Committee, and that is the cost of maintaining the Government Marine Surveyor's Department. I wish to preface my remarks by saying that the last thing intended in these is any reflection on the personnel of the Department in question. On the contrary, in my opinion and experience we are extremely well served by the Government Marine Surveyors' Department. The Surveyors are both highly competent and reasonable and courteous to deal with, but it does seem to me, and I know to others interested in shipping also, that the cost of maintaining the Department is extraordinarily high—and out of proportion to the needs of the Colony."

"According to a statement circulated to the Harbour Advisory Committee this year the total annual cost of the Department in round figures is \$15,435. Included in this amount, in addition to Salaries totalling \$10,804, the statement shows Pensions \$859, Rent Allowances \$825, Conveyance Allowances \$297, Overtime Allowances \$55, and Passages \$1,433. The last-mentioned item, I may mention, represents more than 8.3 nearly 9, full rate First Class return passages to London per annum for a staff of 16 Europeans and their families. The greater part of the balance of the \$15,435 is accounted for by maintenance of a fleet of three launches costing \$943 per annum."

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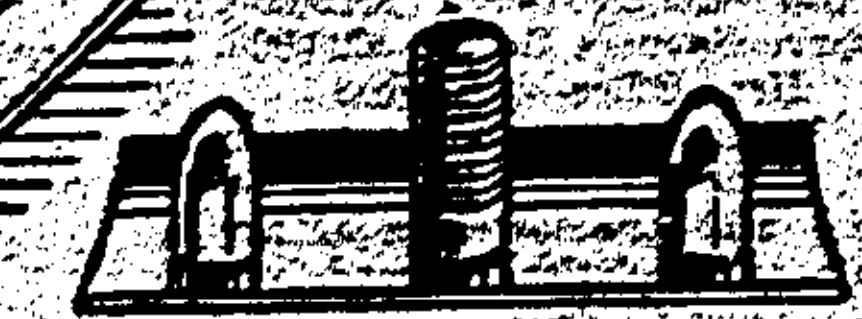
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DR. GOEMBOES' DEATH

Sympathy Expressed By Herr Hitler

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Berlin, To-day.
The Fuehrer and Reichschancellor sent the following telegram of sympathy to H.E. the Regent of Hungary, Admiral Nicolaus von Horthy:

"On behalf of myself and the German people, I express my deepest sorrow at the death of the Hungarian Premier, Dr. Goemboes. Through his death Hungary has lost one of her best and worthiest men—Adolf Hitler."

The Fuehrer and Chancellor also sent a message to the wife of the dead statesman:

"Accept the expression of my sincere sorrow at the great loss you and yours have suffered. All Hungary mourns with you the death of a great patriot, and Germany the loss of an understanding friend—Adolf Hitler. — Trans-Ocean Service."

ATTEMPTED BOAT ROBBERY

Woman Wounded By Night Raiders

Yeung Sap Koo, aged 17, a spinner, residing on class IV fishing boat No. 1055, reports that about 11 p.m. last night, while the boat was anchored off Ngau Tau-kok village, Kowloon city, she was suddenly awakened by the flash of a torch. There were three other women in the boat with her. They were also awakened by the light. She saw a man in the boat and cried out. One of the three men who had boarded the boat used a sharp instrument like a knife and stabbed her three times on the arm. Occupants of other boats nearby heard the commotion and—sounded—police-whistles, whereupon the men swam away and escaped to the shore. Nothing was stolen. The men had come to the boat by means of a sampans. The woman was sent to the Kowloon Hospital, her condition not being serious.

CHIANG'S BIRTHDAY GIFT

Local Fund Reaches \$120,000 Mark

The subscription list for the fund to purchase aeroplanes for Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's 50th birthday has up to to-day reached over \$190,000. The Chinese Gold and Silver Exchange still led with a total of \$75,000 up to yesterday.

The managements of the New Theatre and World Theatre announced that the entire receipts of their four performances yesterday will be given to the fund. Tomorrow the Oriental Theatre management will give the entire proceeds of the four performances taking. The Tai Ping Theatre is donating the entire takings of Friday for the same fund.

Amusements

Cinema Notes From The Theatres

"LA VIE PARISIENNE"—KING'S THEATRE

One of Offenbach's most popular and vivacious operettas, "La Vie Parisienne," has been brought to the screen.

As the title indicates, the action takes place in Paris. A gay story of romance is interwoven with enchanting and lively comedy. Paris in the springtime is indeed a delightful place for young lovers.

The picture serves to introduce Max Dearly, the famous French comedian, to British audiences. Dearly has been a star in his native France for nearly 50 years, and during this time has appeared in many stage productions of the operetta. The starring honours are shared by two well-known Hollywood players, Conchita Montenegro and Neil Hamilton. Included in the supporting cast are Eva Moore, Carol Goodner, Austin Trevor and Tyril Davis.

"BAR 20 RIDES AGAIN"—ALHAMBRA THEATRE

This is a better picture than either "Hopalong Cassidy" or "The Eagle's Brood," its two predecessors. It surpasses those eminently successful six-gun dramas not only because it is a better-rounded story, but for the reason that the action so vital in a Western is as fast-moving and realistic as it is possible for directors to achieve.

William Boyd, of course, is back as the slow-spoken but sharp-witted "Hopalong Cassidy." There can be no question that Boyd has established himself firmly in the front rank of cowboy stars.

In "Bar 20 Rides Again" we find "Hopalong" at the ranch taming a wild horse when a message arrives from Jim Arnold, asking for aid against a crafty and ruthless band of rustlers headed by a man called "Nevada."

"Hopalong" and his young riding mate, Johnny Nelson, take the situation in hand, with Johnny more than casually interested because of Jim Arnold's attractive daughter. Before the boys of the Bar 20 can act, however, "Nevada" and his gang strike at the Arnold Ranch, wounding its owner.

Boyd and Jimmy Ellison again are hard-riding stars in this picture. Jean Rouverol plays the rancher's daughter, with fine effect, and one of the finest characterisations in the film is that of Harry Worth, the villainous "Nevada."

"THE MURDER OF DR. HARRIGAN"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

The picture is based on a story by Mignon G. Everhart, an author famous for hair-raising mysteries that are practically unsolvable until the very end.

In this picture the plot is woven around a strange new anaesthetic which the head of a drug company claims as his own, but is the bone of contention of a number of doctors who have worked on the formula.

In the unweaving of the story the head of the drug company strangely vanishes, as though into thin air, and the doctor who was to have operated on him is found mysteriously murdered by a surgical instrument.

Underlying it all there is a romantic love story between an interne and a nurse accused of the murder. Kay Linaker, new to the screen, but a well-known Broadway stage star, has the leading role that of a nurse who is the chief suspect in the crimes committed. Ricardo Cortez, playing the part of an interne who is in love with her, believes in her innocence.

Mary Astor, a nurse, is also one of the suspects, she being the divorced wife of the slain doctor. Joan Blair in the role of the doctor's widow, is also suspected because she is having an affair with a gigolo, a part enacted by Gordon Elliott. The picture winds up in a most thrilling and unsuspected climax. Frank McDonald directed the production, adapted from the screen play by Peter Milne and Sy Bartlett.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

TENNIS VISITOR TO COLONY

Former Japanese Davis Cup Player

Passing through the Colony yesterday by the N. Y. K. liner Yasukuni Maru were Baron de Bassompierre, Belgian Ambassador to Japan, and E. Itoh, former Japanese Davis Cup player and Cambridge blue, who expressed their desire for a game of tennis while in port, so the Hong Kong Cricket Club extended an invitation to them to play against S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn, former doubles champions of the Colony, and other players.

An enjoyable knock-up was had by the visitors, who played against the Rumjahn cousins, G. W. Sewell and H. J. Armstrong. A singles match, which was left unfinished, was played between Itoh and S. A. Rumjahn.

"THE PREVIEW MURDER MYSTERY"—STAR THEATRE

The story has to do with a newly-found star whose first picture is just being finished as we come upon him. He has received notes threatening his life, but friends and fellow-workers have laughed them off as the work of a crank. The picture is previewed before an audience that includes the star, director and other members of the acting company—and when the lights go up and friends turn to congratulate the star, they find him dead—poisoned!

Hysteria grips the studio after this incident. But it is nothing compared to the hysteria that follows when first a studio policeman, and then a prominent director, are found murdered.

A cast including many favourites—Reginald Denny, Gail Patrick, Frances Drake, Conway Tearle, Rod LaRocque, George Barbier, Ian Keith and Jack Mulhall—turns in a grand acting job on "The Preview Murder Mystery." Robert Florey's direction and lighting is superb.

"SONG AND DANCE MAN"—MAJESTIC THEATRE

The modernised version of George M. Cohan's famous stage success, "Song and Dance Man," features new songs, new laughs and new pathos, and presents Claire Trevor, Paul Kelly and Michael Whalen in the leading roles.

Recognised by theatre-goers as the greatest story of theatrical life ever written, "Song and Dance Man" is the drama of the quiet self-sacrifice of a poor ham-and-egg song and dance man whose girl had a chance to make the big time if he stepped out of the picture.

The girl, aided by the good-hearted "hooper" when she was down and out, is loyal to him to the end. Her talent and beauty, however, bring fame and opportunities for a wealthy marriage.

Her way, but the hooper, cannot see that he is holding her back until he is finally "told off" in no uncertain terms.

The pity one feels for the poor hooper turns abruptly to genuine admiration when he finally sacrifices himself and does a laugh-clown-lam act. Unknown to the

Mass Marriage Couples

Mr. Fu Sai-si, the acting general secretary of the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association, announced yesterday that only 22 couples have proved fit to take part in the forthcoming mass marriage.

Lau Chun-kin and Miss Cheng Shuk-ying were forced to withdraw their names from the register owing to the death of Lau's father a few days ago. The following are the names of the brides and bridegrooms to be:

Tam Tit-yue and Miss Hou Hui-lan, Li Wing-yin and Miss Leung Yue-hing, Ho Tak-wah and Miss Cheng Ching-lai, Chan Shu-wah and Miss Tsui Shou-ying, Cheng Hung-hi and Miss

A dinner dance will be held at the Repulse Bay Hotel to-day at 9 p.m.

In our Saturday's editions the forthcoming wedding of Mr. Harold Sam Carson to Miss Daphne Lorraine Habcock, of No. 112 Yu Yuen Road, Shanghai, was announced. The bridegroom's name should have been Harold Sam Carson McComb.

A large crowd gathered at the Murray Parade Ground yesterday at 5.30 p.m. to watch the 1st Bn. Royal Ulster Rifles Band and Bagpipes play Retreat.

One of the most seasoned travellers ever to pass through Hong Kong is due to arrive here on Friday aboard the Dollar round-the-world liner President Polk. He is Mr. Julius C. Brittlebank, the Marco Polo of America, who is at present on his seventeenth trip round the world.

The s.s. Bhutan is expected here from Shanghai at 6 a.m. tomorrow.

The R.M.S. Empress of Asia is due at Hong Kong from Vancouver on the morning of October 22, and will sail the same evening for Manila.

The President and members of the Hong Kong University Union have issued invitations to their Annual Dance, to be held on Saturday, October 17, commencing at 9 p.m., in the Great Hall of the University (by kind permission of the Vice-Chancellor).

Tong Tak-sing was yesterday admitted to the Government Civil Hospital, suffering from burns received when Mak Kai, his kept woman, allegedly threw some acid over his face during a quarrel at No. 168 Johnston Road, first floor, at about 2.30 p.m.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day was 0.07 inch. The total since January 1 has been 69.22 inches, against an average of 79.49 inches.

girl he puts on an act and causes a split in the partnership. Left with no other alternative, the girl accepts the stage offer, and soon achieves fame and happiness with her new found love.

The film, which was produced by Sol M. Wurtzel and directed by Allan Dwan, includes in its cast Ruth Donnelly, James Burke, Helen Troy, Lester Matthews and Ralf Harolde.

The film also features four new song numbers, all written by Sidney Clare and Lew Follock. Miss Trevor sings and dances to the hit number, "Join the Party."

"EARLY TO BED"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

Mary Boland and Charlie Ruggles make a sanatorium and rest home their honeymoon spot, in their latest riot-farce, "Early to Bed."

The veterans of many hit comedies are cast as a couple who marry after an engagement of 20 years, and set out immediately on a trip which brings one ludicrous situation after another.

Charlie appears as mouse-like Chester Beatty, an employee of 26 years' standing with the Matchless Eye Co., manufacturers of a dozen types of glass eyes. Mary. (Continued at foot of Next Col.)

BRIDGE NOTES

Preventable Squeeze Play

By Ely Culbertson

It is no exaggeration to say that fully 50 per cent. of the coups successfully executed could have been forestalled by timely counter-measures.

Obviously, before danger can be averted it must first be recognised. It is infinitely easier to take precautions against attack when one can see in what form and from what direction the attack is coming. For that reason it is wise for players to familiarise themselves with the typical positions from which the various end plays are developed. In to-day's hand a double squeeze for a small slam contract could have been scotched by the use of elementary arithmetic.

South, dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
S. A 9 4
H. J 10 8 3
D. A K 7
C. 4 3 2

WEST EAST

S. Q S. K 10 7 6 5 3 2
H. 9 4 H. 5
D. Q 10 9 8 6 2 D. J 3
C. 10 8 7 5 C. Q J 9

SOUTH
S. J 8
H. A K Q 7 6 2
D. 5 4
C. A K 6

The bidding:
South West North East
1H. Pass 3H. Pass
4D. Pass 4NT. Pass
5D. Pass 5NT. Pass
6H. (final bid)

*Asking bid.

Showing either two aces and second round diamond control, or two aces, including diamond ace.

Repeated asking bid; South knows North must hold diamond ace, since he himself holds two aces. Now he asks for second round control.

Response shows second round control.
West's opening lead of the spade queen created an immediate problem for the declarer. He fully recognised the danger of the queen being a singleton, but, as against this, a count of tricks disclosed that only eleven could be made by straight play. A squeeze was the only chance and that necessitated passing the first lead. In fear and trembling, declarer played low from the dummy.

East was fast asleep. It should have been child's play to overtake the queen with the king and continue the suit on the theory that if West, instead of the declarer, had the jack, nothing could be lost, whereas if the queen were a singleton an immediate ruff by West would defeat the contract.

When East stolidly let the queen hold the trick, West shifted to the five of clubs and declarer won, after which he rattled off five trump tricks.

The six of trumps now began the double squeeze. West had to discard a club to guard diamonds. East let go a diamond. The jack of spades to the ace reduced West to one club, after which the cashing of the ace and king of diamonds left East in the impossible position of having to guard both dummy's spade and declarer's clubs. The vulnerable slam became a lay-down simply because East, on the first trick, could not count up to thirteen.

as Tessie Weeks, is the girl whom he has courted for two decades.

Despite Tessie's desire to see Niagara Falls, cherished for 20 years, Chester, fired with ambition to land the world biggest glass-eye order, heads for the sanatorium. He knows Horace Stanton, maker of sextuplet dolls, is spending a vacation there.

Complications begin immediately at Lake Okauchookaboo Lodge. A jewel robbery and a murder follow, with Chester suspected as a "Sleep-walker" "Tiger Man" by night!



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VIGOROUS CRITICISM BY UNOFFICIALS OF BUDGET PROPOSALS

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river craft, and I submit that these figures are not therefore a reliable indication of the amount of work which the Marine Surveyors may be called upon to do.

"The Technical (Shipping) Committee of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce urged upon Government three years ago that the additional staff then considered necessary in view of the application of the new Safety and Load Line Conventions should be engaged on temporary appointments only. The Committee's advice, I believe, was not taken, but now that the additional work entailed by the adoption of those Conventions and of the Simla Rules is drawing to an end, it would, I suggest, be a suitable opportunity to consider reorganisation of the Department and gradual reduction of staff, as may best be done without the infliction of any undue hardship."

Hon. Mr. A. W. Hughes' Speech

PETROL TAX AND THE COLONY'S ROADS

In his speech the Hon. Mr. A. W. Hughes said:—

"Sir,—The Budget for 1937 is essentially practical and in keeping with present-day requirements. Necessary expenditure has been provided for and 'luxuries' have been avoided. The task of limiting expenditure must have been a difficult one, and I feel the community has every reason to be satisfied with the result."

"As I understand my Honourable friend Mr. Braga proposes to be specific in his comments upon the Roads Maintenance Vote, I will refer to it only upon broad lines. The Honourable Colonial Secretary has told us that the Government 'cannot safely repeat in 1937 the pruning of such items as road maintenance votes which has helped the financial position in 1936,' and he added: 'We are faced by heavy expenditure at some future date if we are to return to the high standards maintained in the past.' I am pleased at this official recognition of the fact that our roads to-day are not what they have been in the past. They have not reached the stage of being definitely bad, but both upon the Island and in the New Territories, it is evident in many places that without extensive repairs the 'definitely bad' stage will soon be reached."

Tax Allocation

"There are provisions in the present Budget for maintenance and extension, but with all respect I submit this work is so important that its extent should not be dependent upon whether or not the necessary funds can be spared from General Revenue."

"The present Petrol Tax is 30 cents per gallon, and I am informed that the yearly consumption in the Colony is in excess of two and a half million gallons, thus providing a revenue of some \$750,000. I suggest that as a permanent policy a percentage of this tax should be allocated each year to road requirements. This system is in force elsewhere. In California there is a special tax of, I believe, 3 cents a gallon and the proceeds of this tax are applied solely to roads. The California roads are the envy of all the States in America, and of many countries outside."

Safety Element

"In using the word 'maintenance' above, I wish to include provision for greater safety than exists to-day. In particular, I refer to the absence of kerbing in a great number of places where the most rudimentary elements of safety demand them. There is a particularly bad stretch in front of the Hume Pipe Factory on the Castle Peak Road. The deep gutters on both sides were responsible for two very nasty accidents early this year, but the section that calls most loudly for attention is the praya. At present there is no protection whatever and while the needs of harbour craft using the praya must be studied, these should not be allowed to jeopardise the lives of our citizens. There have been cases of cars going over the praya into the harbour with resultant loss of life. It is amazing that there have not been many more."

"Cars are in charge of drivers of varying driving ability, and innumerable people are crossing at right angles to them. During

times of poor visibility the danger is, of course, increased. I respectfully draw Your Excellency's attention to this very serious need. That the danger is not equally grave in other parts of the Colony is due solely to the fact that the traffic—both vehicular and pedestrian—is less in volume."

Anti-Malarial Work

"The Budget provides a sum of \$50,000 for Anti-Malarial work on the Island and \$10,000 in Kowloon. Presumably this is for a continuation of the unequal fight against this disease that is carried on by the Sanitary Department, but it is surely insufficient and when spent will provide little improvement in the position of to-day. The subject has been mentioned in this Chamber upon many previous occasions, but the great need for action is sufficient justification for this repetition."

"The excellent work done in the Straits Settlements in eradicating malaria is undoubtedly known to Your Excellency, and I urge that the problem in Hong Kong be attacked upon the same lines and with the same vigour as was done by the Straits Government."

Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell's Speech

RELATIVE POSITIONS OF GOVT. SERVANTS

In his speech the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell said:—

"Sir,—I have no hesitation in commencing my contribution to this annual field-day of the unofficial Member with sincere congratulations to the Government on a budget which, though it fails lamentably to balance itself, does undoubtedly show a much more thorough appreciation of the damage done to the Colony by the world's crazy policy of economic nationalism than any of its predecessors. There are one or two aspects about it upon which I would like to comment, but first of all I desire to associate myself with the tribute which my Honourable friend, the Acting Colonial Secretary, has modestly paid to himself and his colleagues for the share they are taking towards the reduction of the deficit."

"It may or it may not be some consolation to honourable official members to know that, as a merchant employer, with a fairly numerous staff, I estimate from my experience that Government servants, when their pensions are taken into consideration, are still some 25 to 30 per cent. better off than their opposite numbers in the commercial firms of the Colony, most of which firms, even on the lower salary basis, are still finding it most difficult to operate their businesses without loss."

Bricks Without Straw

"I assure honourable official members that I do not mention this from motives of jealousy; indeed, I realise only too well that not so long ago the boot was on the other leg. I mention it because there are still quite a number of people about burying their heads in the sand and refusing to face up to the realities of this depression and its effect on the Colony. No less an august personage than the Secretary of State would appear to be one of them, and as the Ottawa Agreements expire next year, I feel that it is up to the commercial community to leave no stone unturned in an endeavour to see that he is under no illusion as to how far we can go in this Colony in that somewhat difficult operation of building bricks without straw."

"There are two reasons why I suspect the Secretary of State in this matter. Firstly, because in 1931 when the tentacles of economic nationalism had already got this Colony firmly in their grasp, and the commercial community had to make their first sacrifice, the Secretary of State intervened and refused to permit the Government servants to help the situation by following suit."

"And secondly, because even to-day he states that he will only agree to this levy if he has an assurance that it is an emergency imposition which will not be maintained longer than is demanded by the obscurity of the financial situation."

Permanent Levy?

"Much as I dislike striking pessimistic notes, or casting a damper on the spirits of my official colleagues, in my judgment the question whether this levy is in fact an emergency measure or becomes a permanent measure liable to be made still

more unpalatable later on, depends entirely upon whether or not economic nationalism has come to stay throughout the world. If it has, and Hong Kong's privileges and preferences as part of the Empire are to be as limited under the Ottawa Agreements as in practice they are to-day, then, so far from reinstating any cuts, I envisage the possibility, if not the probability, of Your Excellency being compelled to request the Secretary of State to take back and absorb in some other more fortunate parts of the Empire, a large proportion of the Government staff now rendering services which the Colony will no longer be able to afford, and consequently will have to do without."

"Such a contingency was fore-shadowed on page 33 of last year's report of the Economic Commission, which has, no doubt, been thoroughly digested by my official colleagues and is still fresh in their minds."

Returning Sanity

"Happily, however, amongst the many signs of returning economic sanity, we witnessed one last week which may easily prove to be the first rung in the ladder of economic recovery. I refer to the British Government's currency stabilisation negotiations with the United States and France, the announcement of which was accompanied by the following significant statement:

"The British Government is convinced, together with France and the United States, that the success of the above policy is linked with the development of international trade."

In particular, the greatest importance is attached to action being taken without delay to relax the present system of quotas and exchange controls with a view to their abolition."

The British Government, in common with the United States and French Governments, invites the co-operation of other nations to realise the policy laid down in the present declaration. "I venture to believe that the Colony's present relations with our great and friendly neighbour, China, which Your Excellency has already done much to foster, are such as will place no obstacle, so far as we are concerned, in the way of the realisation of this declaration of policy on the part of the British Government."

Medical Services

DIRE FORECAST OF FUTURE CONDITIONS

"Turning now to the departmental estimates, I observe with growing alarm the enormous increase in the expenses of the medical department, particularly so as I am still convinced that by the use of part-time services of our local medical practitioners some of this extra expense could be avoided. I can well understand how the professional instincts and ideals of my honourable friend, the Director of Medical Services, incline him towards operating with his own medical assistants, on a self-contained basis, but the gratification of those ideals appears to me to be not only very costly, but to seriously endanger the livelihood of the medical profession practising in the Colony."

"A well-known non-medical resident, who shares my views in this matter, went so far as to express the opinion that, even if the Government did not put our nursing homes and our medical fraternity entirely out of action, they would certainly so adversely affect the earnings of the latter that they would be unable to afford to keep themselves up to date in modern medicine and surgery. He went even further than that, suggesting so disastrous a sequel, that I hardly like to repeat it to honourable members. He pictured this policy, if carried to extremes, resulting in the gradual annihilation of the commercial community and the survival of the Government servant in first-class shape to enjoy for a maximum number of years a pension, which, presumably, in view of the extinction of the Colony's traders, would have to fall like manna from heaven."

"Crown Agents"

"While this undoubtedly is going a bit too far, it does illustrate in an exaggerated way the menace to our local medical efficiency threatened by the Government's policy. The real menace, however, is to the livelihood of a section of the community, many members of which have served the Colony well for a long period of years. In

fact, I place this self-contained system of dispensing our medical services in the same category, so far as the medical profession is concerned, as that other organisation which is the bete noire of us merchants, 'The Crown Agents for the Colonies,' in itself no doubt a most estimable institution, theoretically sound, but one which the merchants consider deprives those who originally built up the prosperity of the Crown Colonies and have always shouldered a considerable portion of the burden of taxation of the opportunity to compete for so much of the Government's requirements. "I further notice with extreme regret, that while there is this large increase in the expense of curing disease, there is no provision in either the Public Works or Sanitary Department estimates for the prevention of it by a much more thorough cleansing of our streets than is carried out at present, though we should surely now have enough water for the purpose."

Shanghai Conditions

"When recently in Shanghai, I had occasion to visit some of the poorer districts of the International Settlement at the clean and wholesome appearance of their streets, as compared with ours, was excelled only by my amazement at the reason given for this welcome change."

"I was assured that it was entirely due to the zeal with which our Chinese friends had taken up the New Life Movement. Shopkeepers and householders are made responsible for their respective sections of the paths and roads, and if they do not do their job to the satisfaction of their neighbours, they are seized and paraded through the street with their hands tied behind their backs carrying a broom."

"Possibly the Government is waiting for the New Life Movement to catch on in the Colony in a similar effective way and so save them considerable outlay. If, however, it does not, I consider that our tuberculosis record alone makes the incurring of this expense an absolute necessity."

State of Roads

"While I am in sympathy with some of the proposals for new roads made by the Hon. Mr. Braga, who has a much more intimate knowledge of the requirements of Kowloon than I have, I am, generally speaking, in favour of spending our restricted revenue on properly maintaining our present roads rather than on building new ones. I have a vivid recollection of the state of the Taipo and Castle Peak roads before the Governor's bungalow was built at Fanling. New roads through our beautiful scenery are undoubtedly a great acquisition to the Colony, but it is very difficult indeed for the motorist to enjoy the beautiful scenery through which he is passing when he is incessantly dodging potholes and in constant danger of being shot through the roof of his car."

"In conclusion, Sir, I should like wholeheartedly to support the Hon. Mr. Paterson's request that unofficial members may in future be given the opportunity of considering and discussing the various departmental estimates before the first reading of the Budget Bill, in the same way as they are permitted to discuss the Public Works estimates."

"Unofficial members of this Council, I am sure, greatly appreciate the disposition which Your Excellency has shown since you came to the Colony to consult them on so many matters of public interest, and as I believe Hong Kong is one of the few Colonies where the estimates are not referred to an early stage to a select committee composed partly of unofficial members, I venture to hope that the proposal will find favour with Your Excellency."

"The Council was still sitting when we went to press."

CANADIAN CHINESE FOREGATHER

Annual Election Dinner

The members of the Canadian Chinese Club celebrated the opening of the social season with their third annual election dinner, held at the Lok Kwok Hotel last evening. The following officers were

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (345 K.C.M.)

4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-11 p.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—The London Palladium Orchestra.

Amba—(Lilacs).
Animal Antics—Novelty Intermezzo

—(Waltz).
Dawn—(Matt).
"Chu Chin Chow"—Selection—

(Norton).
Through Night To Light—

(Lambert).
Blue Devil's March—(Williams, arr. Lotter).
"Maid of the Mountains"—Waltz

(Fraser-Simson).
7.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock

Quotations.
7.33 p.m.—Variety Items.

Piano Solo—
Love Me—Gerry Moore.

Vocal—
Vodding Hobo—The Hill Billies.

Dulcimer Solo—
Landler from the Oberland.

Vocal—
Happy Swiss Memories—Swiss

Ensemble.
Song—
With all my Heart—Elsie Carlisle.

Humorous—
George Formby Medley.

Orchestra—
We've Got Rhythm—Fox-Trot

Medley.
8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather

Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Songs by Jan Kiepura

(Tenor).
1. Heute Nacht Oder Nie!
2. La Danza.

3. You, Me And Love.
4. My Heart is always Calling You.

5. Sweet Melody of Night.
8.20 p.m.—From the Studio.

A Pianoforte Recital by Nurra Kanis.
Programme—
Prelude, Choral and Fugue.

8.40 p.m.—Albert Sandler and his
Orchestra.
None but the weary heart

(Tschalkowsky).
Hassan—Serenade (Delius).
Softly awakes my heart—"Samson

and Delilah" (Saint-Saens).
Sereade (Toselli).
Bien Aime—Valse (Valdteufel).

Amoretten Tanz—Waltz (Gungl).
9 p.m.—News and Announcements
from London.

9.20 p.m.—Harry Roy's Tiger
Ragamuffins.
1. Fox-Trot Medley.

2. Farewell Blues; You Rascal
You; Muddy Waters.

3. Shine; My Sweetie went away;
Sweet Jenny Lee.

4. Waltz Medley.
9.40 p.m.—From the Studio.

Aviation Talk No. 5. "Learning to
Fly" by Flight Lieutenant P. Holroyd
Smith.

10 p.m.—Big Ben from London.
Dance Music.

11 p.m.—Close Down.

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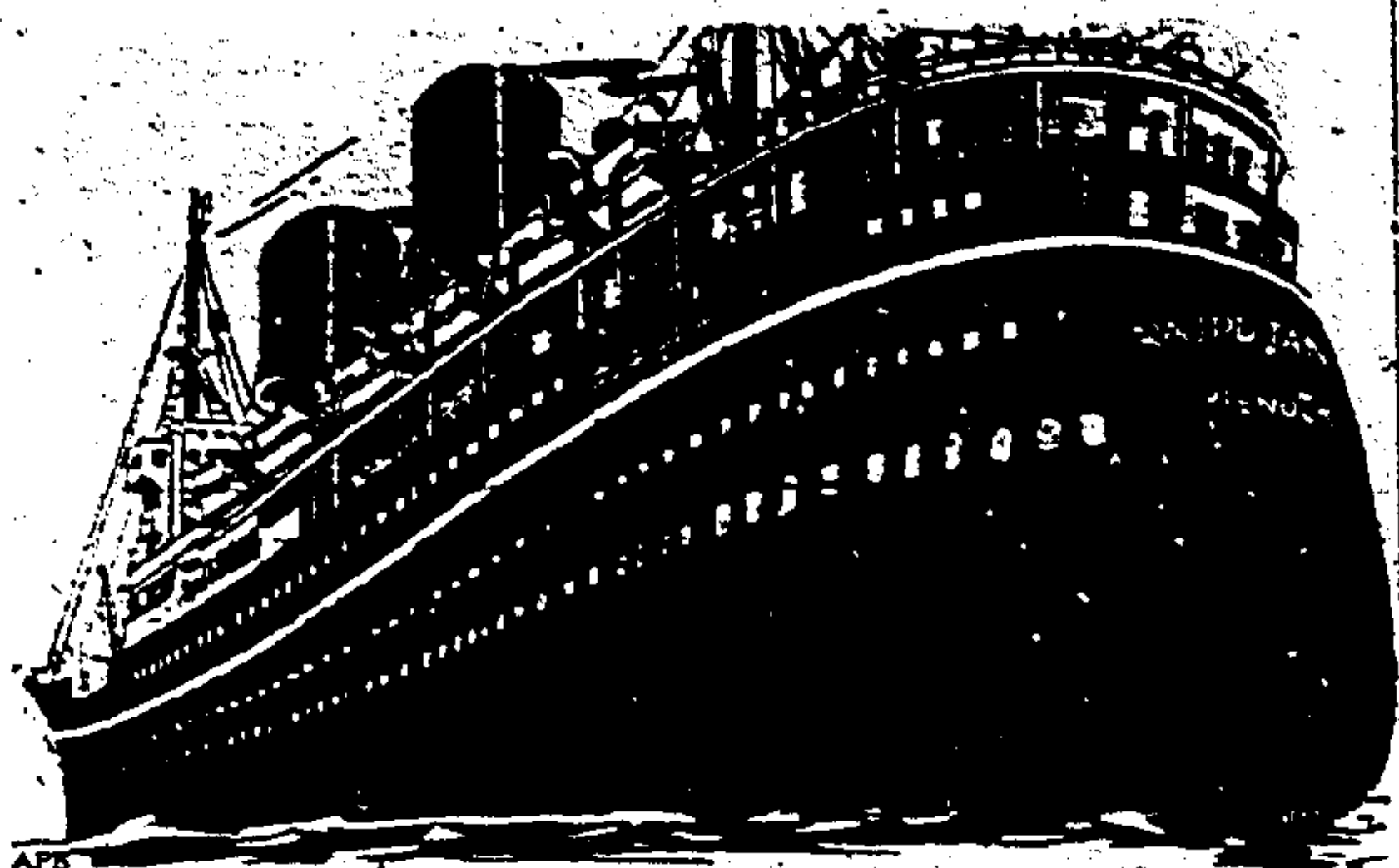
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Sirdhans Oct. 12

Helenns Oct. 16

Kutsang Oct. 16

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Oct. 10.30 a.m.

Conte Rosso (K.L.M. Service) Oct. 7

Closes: Reg. 2.30 p.m. Ord. 3 p.m.

R.M.A. Dorado "Imperial Airways Direct Service" Oct. 9

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Bhutan (via Marseilles) Oct. 9

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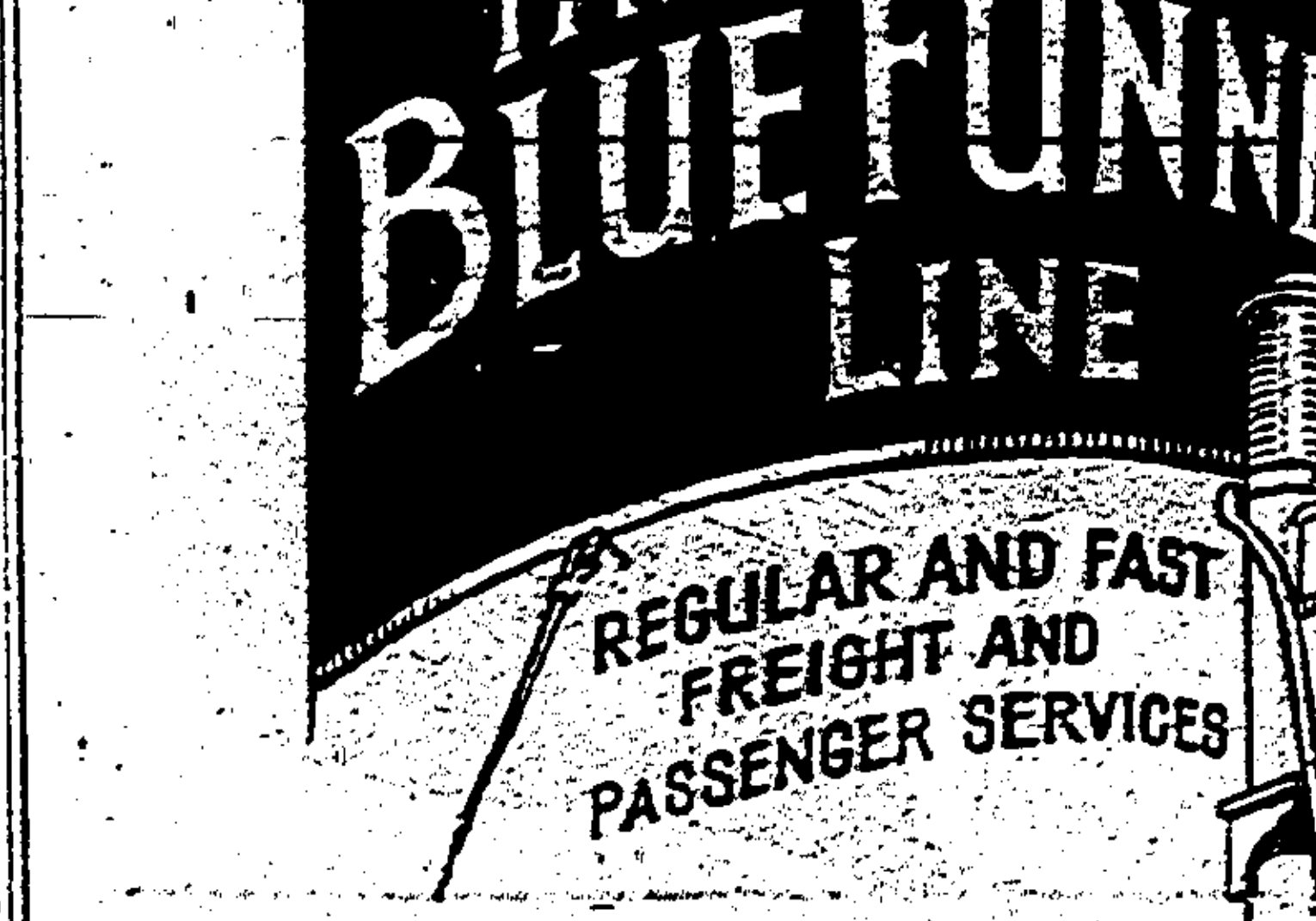
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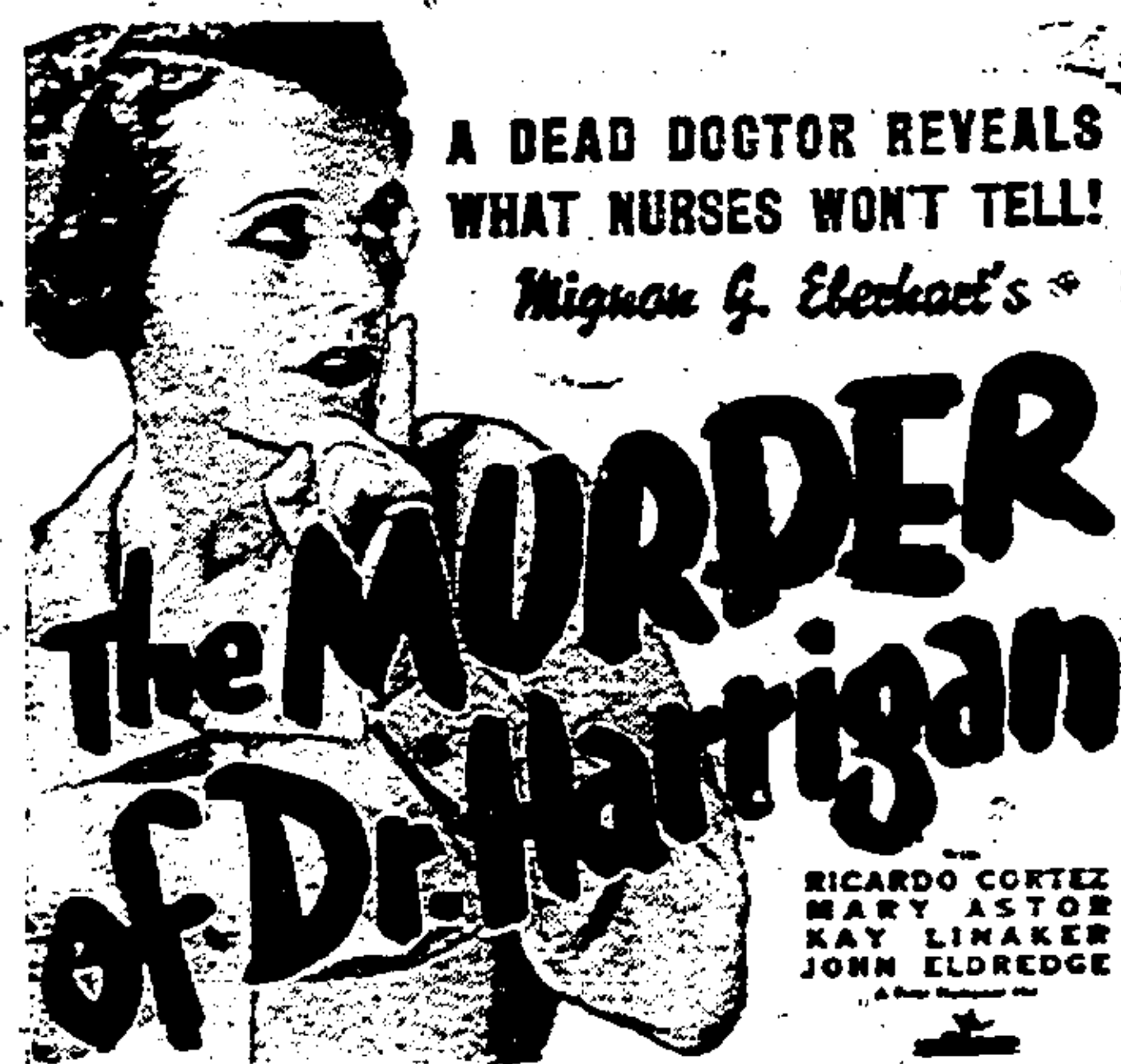
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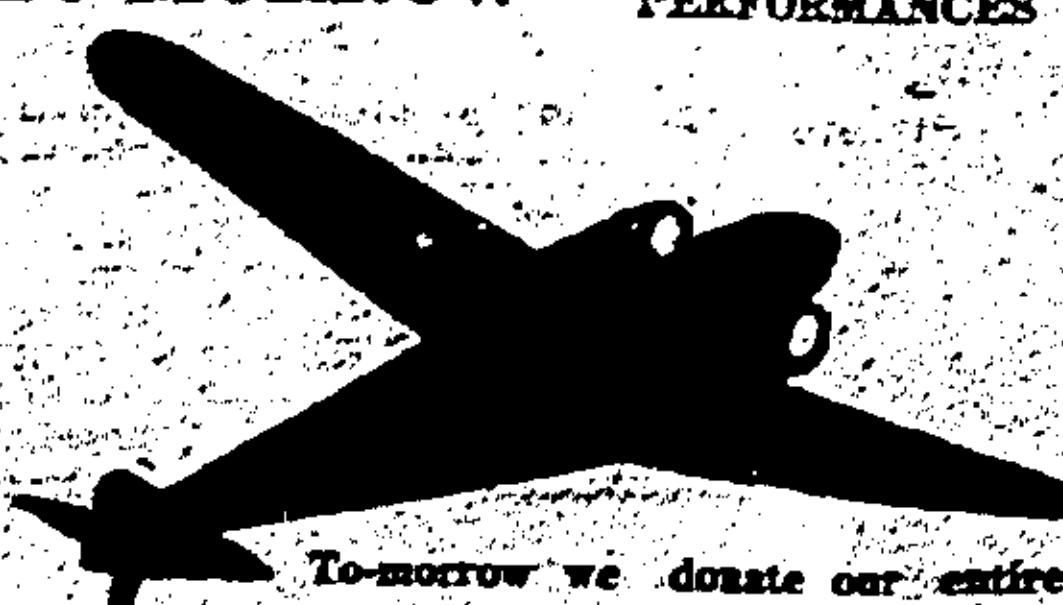
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NO. 552
Construction Contract Signed
HUGE STEEL CASTINGS ORDERED

London, To-day.
The formal contract between the Cunard White Star Co. and the shipbuilders for the construction of the express steamship known as No. 552—sister-ship to the liner Queen Mary—was signed at Liverpool yesterday. Messrs. John Brown have moved into position in their yard on the Clyde the huge crane used in the construction of the Queen Mary, and are proceeding with the formation of a keel-box for the new liner.

They have already placed an order with Messrs. William Beardmore for the hull castings for No. 552. These castings are of exceptional dimensions and consist of a cast steel stem, cast steel stern frame, cast steel shaft brackets, and cast steel rudder. They will be manufactured at Messrs. Beardmore's Parkhead works at Glasgow. The contract is estimated to be worth many thousands of pounds and is one of the largest received by the firm for many years.—British Wireless Service.

NEW CABINET IN HUNGARY

Following Death Of Dr. Goemboes

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL
Budapest, To-day.
The Hungarian Cabinet resigned in a body during a special session, called upon the news of Premier Julius Goemboes' death. The Regent thereupon commissioned the Agricultural Minister, M. Daranyi, who until now had acted as Deputy-Premier, to form a new Government, which as is announced, will be undertaken next week.—Trans-Ocean Service.

REARMAMENT IN BRITAIN

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Mr. Herbert Morrison, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, declared that the executive of the Labour Party considered that in the absence of a policy of collective security, the Government's rearmament policy was purely competitive. "We cannot vote for it in the House of Commons," he concluded.—Reuter.

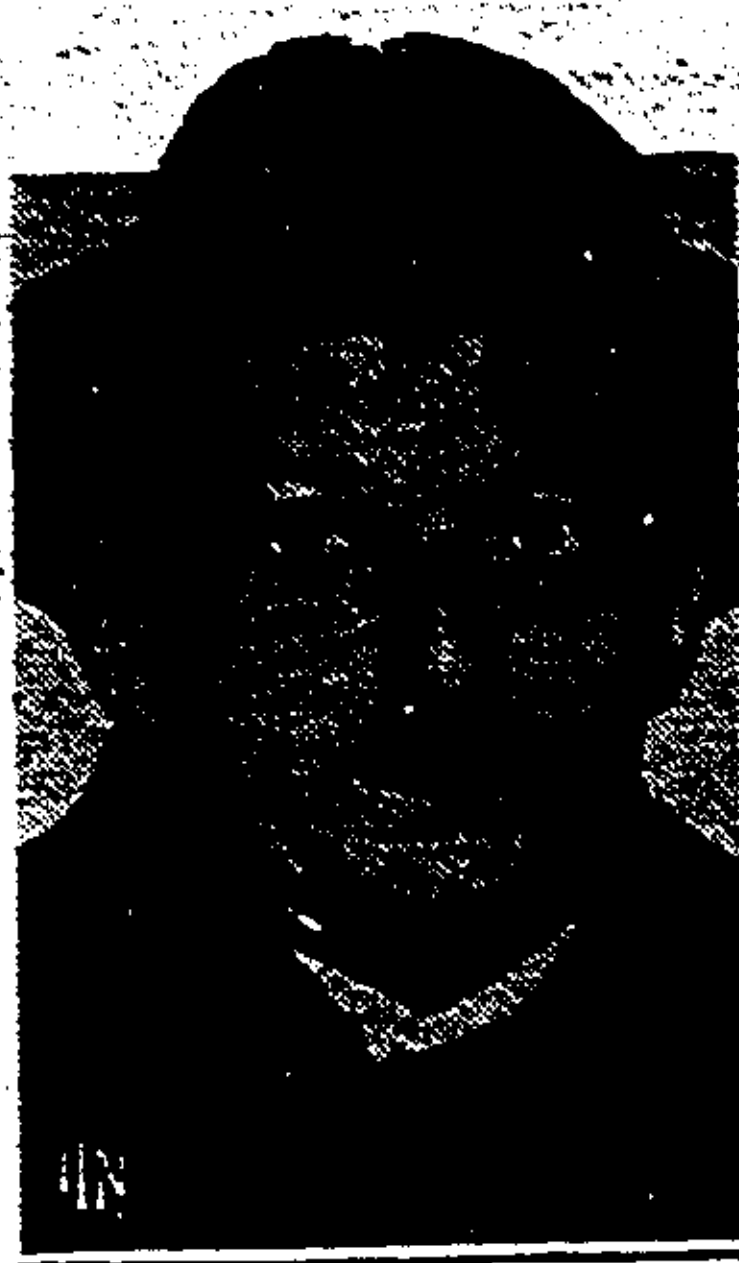
Foreign Policy Criticised

EXECUTIVE'S ATTITUDE EXPLAINED

London: International policy and defence were debated all yesterday at Edinburgh by the Labour Party Conference, which eventually approved the National Executive's statement issued on Saturday by 1,738,000 against 657,000 on a card vote. The statement declared that in view of the threatening attitude of Dictatorships, which are refusing to co-operate in the organisation of peace, the armed strength of the countries loyal to the League of Nations must be conditioned by the armed strength of a potential aggressor, and reaffirmed the policy of maintaining defence forces consistent with the country's responsibilities as a member of the League, with the preservation of the people's rights and liberties, with the continuance of democratic institutions and with the observance of international law.

The statement also condemned the Government's record in foreign policy. The debate revealed some division of opinion and Mr. George Lansbury, Lord Arnold and Sir Stafford Cripps were among the prominent members who opposed the Executive's resolution.

The leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons, Major Attlee, winding up the debate, emphatically denied that the resolution committee was a party to supporting the particular proposals of the Government for rearmament, but explained "that what the Executive had in mind was that the system of collective security must have sufficient force behind it.—British Wireless Service.



M. Marcel Rosenberg, above, the Soviet Union's first Ambassador to Spain, has reached Madrid. He is the first Communist envoy to Spain. The announcement of M. Rosenberg's appointment was not made until he had reached Madrid.

IRON WORKERS ON STRIKE

Further Pay Increase Demanded

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL
Paris, To-day.
Another serious strike has just broken out among the iron workers of Moyeuve-Grande near Metz. As a result of the recent strike, a 15 per cent increase of wages was obtained. The object of the present strike is to obtain a further increase of between 30 and 40 per cent.—Trans-Ocean Service.

CONTRIBUTION TO PEACE

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The resolution recommends the States members to relax and as soon as possible to abolish the present system of quotas and exchange control. The appeal is supported by the Scandinavian countries, Holland, Switzerland and Belgium and is expected to be adopted.—Reuter.

Full Text Of The Resolution

GENERAL INVITATION TO THE WORLD

London: The Economic and Financial Commission of the Assembly continued its debate at Geneva yesterday on the report of the League's Economic Committee. The Belgian delegate declared that Belgium would support any attempt to organise the expansion of world trade by the concerted action of all the Governments.

Mr. Stanley Bruce (Australia) said that the present debate was perhaps the most important ever held under the auspices of the League. Economic questions were often more significant than political ones. If a serious effort was made to re-establish general prosperity rapidly the danger of war would be avoided.

A draft resolution has been tabled following Mr. W. S. Morrison's speech of Monday, which reads:

"The assembly, noting with satisfaction the joint declaration of the Governments of France, the United States and the United Kingdom on September 26 and the adhesion thereto immediately given by several States, recognising that the declaration harmonises with the recommendations made by the Economic Committee of the League in its recent report on the present phase of international economic relations, considering the concordant policy designed to re-establish durable equilibrium between the economies of the various countries to lay more solid foundations for the stability of economic relations and to promote international trade, would effectively contribute to the consolidation of peace, the restoration of international order, the growth of world prosperity and the improvement of the standard of living of the peoples, affirms the general desire of the States members of the League to pursue the realisation of these objects, and invites 'all States, whether members of the League or not, to co-operate fully to that end.'"

"It urgently recommends to the States, as an essential condition of final success, to organise, without delay, determinate and contin-

AIR ACCIDENT RECALLED

Grants To Aviators' Dependents

London, To-day.
An official announcement of the donating of \$5,000—the balance of the prize money in the England-Johannesburg air race—to the wives and dependants of Findlay and Morgan, who were killed in the accident at Abercorn, was made yesterday by the chairman of the Light Plane Club of South Africa at an informal luncheon given by the Air Race Committee to C. W. A. Scott and Giles Guthrie, winners of the race. He stated that Mr. Schlesinger had decided to grant \$2,000 each to Mrs. Findlay and Mrs. Morgan and the balance of \$2,000 would be paid into a Trust Fund for the benefit of their children.—British Wireless Service.

SIR JOHN MILES HONOURED

Warden Of Merton College

London, To-day.
Sir John Miles, the Senior Research Fellow at Merton College, Oxford, was yesterday admitted to the Wardenship of the College, in succession to Mr. Thomas Bowman, who has retired after being Warden since 1903. Ancient customs were observed at the ceremony.

Sir John has been a tutor at Merton College since 1899. During the war he was a legal assistant at the Ministry of Munitions, and later was solicitor to the Ministry of Labour.—British Wireless Service.

PROSPECTS FOR BRITAIN

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TRADE PROSPECTS
Mr. Chamberlain said that although Britain's foreign trade still lagged a long way behind that of some years ago, there was already an indication of an improvement during the past year, with a marked advance in our exports, due to more prosperous conditions.

"To a number of countries, formerly our good customers, the readjustment of the exchange value of the franc must come like the cracking of ice at the approach of the warmer season to an ice-bound Polar explorer."

"He was agreeably surprised at the quickness with which the world seemed to have grasped the implications of the tripartite monetary declaration. "Though at first it will be necessary to provide security against violent fluctuations of the value of gold, as expressed in terms of commodities, I do not see any insuperable difficulties in the way of our ultimately again arriving at an international currency system based on the free exchange of gold," he concluded.—Reuter.

GEN. CHIANG'S BIRTHDAY

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It is learned that General Pei Chung-hsi, a member of the Standing Committee of the Military Affairs Commission, will fly to Nanking from Kweilin with General Chen Sheng on the Double Tenth. As soon as General Pei has arrived at the capital, the first meeting of the National Defence Committee will be held. It will be remembered that General Pei is also a member of the Committee.

PAKHOI CASE

It is reported that the Pakhoi case has not been opened for discussion by the Chinese and Japanese authorities. It is stated in well-informed circles that the Japanese Consul-General at Canton appears to be prepared to allow this case to be discussed at Nanking, but the Chinese authorities differ from him. The latter prefer that the case should be localised.

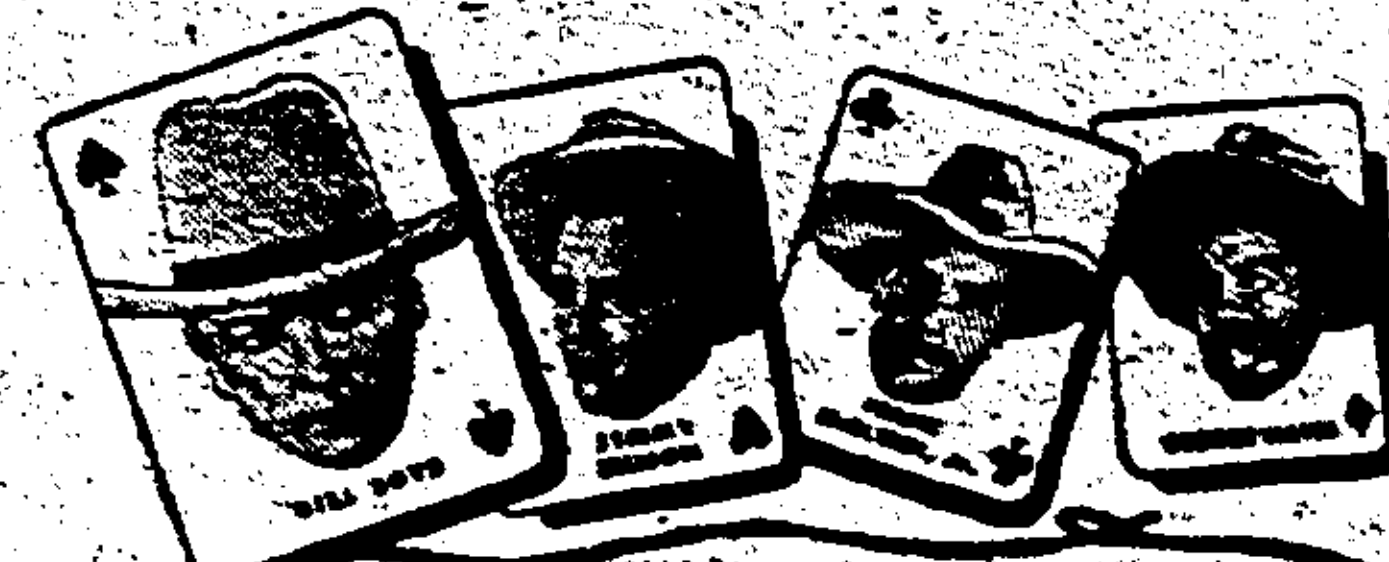
uous action to ensure the application of the policy indicated to reduce excessive obstacles to international trade and communications, and in particular to relax, and as soon as possible to abolish the present system of quotas and exchange control.—British Wireless Service.

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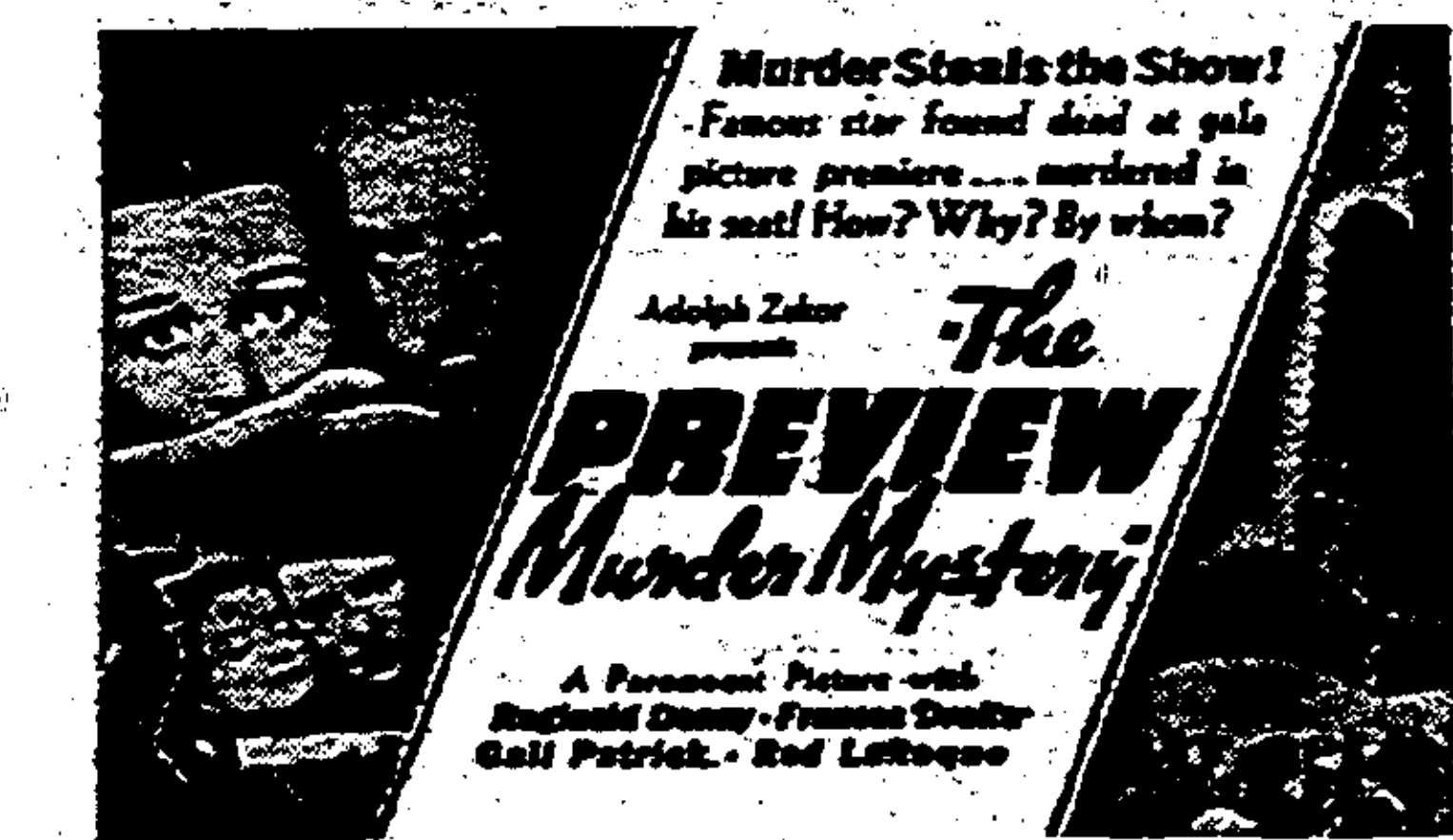


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